



PRESS INFORMATION

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Kannad obtains PART-145 certification from the Civil Aviation Authority for maintenance of its aviation product range

Guidel 1-2-10 – KANNAD, a company of the Orolia Group (NYSE Alternext Paris – FR0010501015 – ALORO) announces today that it has obtained Part 145 certification for the maintenance of its products dedicated to the aviation market. This certification now allows Kannad, which manufactures distress beacons, to extend the offer of its services across Europe.

Part-145 joins the company's other approvals which include EN9100 certification, Part 21-O for design approval and Part 21-G for production organisation approval, all of which cover aviation distress beacons. Certification is part of a continuous monitoring process supervised by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

"Following our strategic refocusing in the aviation market we are very pleased to have obtained the Part-145 certification which demonstrates the quality of service that we provide to our customers," says Jean-Pierre Bardon, CEO of Kannad.

He adds "This new maintenance facility for Kannad's aviation distress beacons, which is already operational, will extend gradually to other aeronautic products. This service will allow us to gain additional revenues and to benefit from feedback regarding the operating conditions of our distress beacons, an important factor in improving the reliability for our future products."

Kannad is committed to undertaking maintenance to tight turnaround deadlines ensuring that aircraft are held on the ground for as short a time as possible while waiting for the return of their vital safety equipment. Aviation product maintenance under the Part 145 certification started at the beginning of December and distress beacon equipment has already been serviced for a number of key customers including Pilatus, Eurocopter and Grob.

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About Kannad

Kannad, a company of Orolia Group, specialises in producing aviation beacons which have saved thousands of lives over the last 20 years. Kannad's products are tailored to each type of application, from airliners to light aircraft. Kannad also provides tracking solutions which are dedicated to niche markets where environmental conditions require a high level of reliability and a expertise for a specific task.

About Orolia

Orolia is a high-technology group specialized in precise Positioning, Navigation and Timing. Orolia provides high-precision electronics equipments that generate, distribute, measure and process the High-precision Time & Frequency signals that Critical Operations use to detect, trace, control, analyze or synchronize time and location-critical events. High-precision timing, positioning and synchronization solutions are vital for critical applications in growing markets such as Defense, Public Safety, and Telecom & Broadcasting in land, maritime, air or space environments. Since 2006, the Orolia group has been able to establish itself as one of the leaders in PNT solutions at a global level through five companies: Spectracom, SpectraTime, T4Science, McMurdo and Kannad. Orolia's headquarters are located in Les Ulis, (France). The company also has main offices in Neuchâtel (Switzerland), Stockholm (Sweden), Rochester (New York), Basingstoke (UK), Portsmouth (UK) and Guidel (France).

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