



Viasat Ships Over 1,000 Battlefield Awareness Targeting System-Dismounted (BATS-D) Handheld Link 16 Radios

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Key Milestone Signifies Increased Demand for Viasat's Advanced Link 16 Technologies

CARLSBAD, Calif., April 23, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- [Viasat Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: VSAT), a global communications company, announced today it has surpassed a key milestone of 1,000 AN/PRC-161 [Battlefield Awareness Targeting System-Dismounted \(BATS-D\) handheld Link 16](#) radios shipped. The 1,000th production unit was delivered in March 2019, Viasat's final quarter of fiscal year 2019. The Viasat BATS-D handheld Link 16 radio bridges a critical gap between air and ground forces by providing warfighters at the tactical edge secure, reliable access to integrated air and ground information for improved situational awareness and enhanced close air support communications.

Viasat has steadily increased BATS-D production capabilities in response to growing demand. The BATS-D handheld Link 16 radio is part of Viasat's expansive portfolio of Non-Developmental Item solutions, which help provide warfighters with better communications to more rapidly engage enemy targets and reduce the risk of fratricide incidents.

"Delivering the 1,000th BATS-D to customers demonstrates the value of Viasat's entrepreneurial business models, culture of innovation and deep understanding of the current and emerging mission needs of today's warfighter," said Ken Peterman, president, Government Systems, Viasat. "Our patented BATS-D technology has been field-tested and proven to significantly reduce targeting timelines, enhancing overall mission effectiveness and improving warfighter safety. Given its field-proven success, we are increasing production rates of our BATS-D radio to empower customers with leading advancements in Link 16 technologies that will provide them with the edge needed to succeed across today's battlespace."

The patented AN/PRC-161 BATS-D handheld radio is ideal for bringing full Link 16 network access to a number of Department of Defense customers. Viasat's portfolio of next-generation tactical datalink systems, including the BATS-D handheld radio, are updated with new capabilities to support the operational environment and customers' evolving mission needs.

About Viasat

Viasat is a global communications company that believes everyone and everything in the world can be connected. For more than 30 years, Viasat has helped shape how consumers, businesses, governments and militaries around the world communicate. Today, the Company is developing the ultimate global communications network to power high-quality, secure, affordable, fast connections to impact people's lives anywhere they are—on the ground, in the air or at sea. To learn more about Viasat, visit: www.viasat.com, go to [Viasat's Corporate Blog](#), or follow the Company on social media at: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#) or [YouTube](#).

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to the safe harbors created under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements include statements about the AN/PRC-161 BATS-D radio's increased production rates, our ability to meet increased demand, and anticipated updates for future BATS-D radios. Readers are cautioned that actual results could differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include: BATS-D product defects, manufacturing issues or delays, contractual problems, regulatory issues, technologies not being developed according to anticipated schedules, or that do not perform according to expectations; and increased competition and other factors affecting the government and defense sectors generally. In addition, please refer to the risk factors contained in Viasat's SEC filings available at www.sec.gov, including Viasat's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. Viasat undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements for any reason.

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