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US Coast Guard Activates Option Year for McMurdo Emergency Beacons

Multi-Year Contract Could Deploy Up to 16,000 Beacons



Orolia, through its McMurdo brand, the most trusted name in emergency readiness and response, announced today that the US Coast Guard (USCG) has activated its first option year on its contract for up to 16,000 FastFind® 220 Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) units to support USCG forces nationwide.

The USCG [awarded McMurdo a \\$3 million contract](#) in July 2016 for PLBs to be ordered over the next five years. McMurdo's ability to maintain a 100 percent on-time delivery rate throughout the contract performance period ensures that the USCG can quickly deploy this critical technology to protect crew members safeguarding America's waterways.

"Our US manufacturing capabilities allow us to receive and fulfill beacon orders large and small, at any given time, and quickly get them in the hands of our servicemembers. We are proud to continue being a trusted supplier to the US Coast Guard for innovative, emergency beacons that save lives."

Mark Cianciolo, Vice President of Americas for Orolia



■ *“Many of our missions are dependent on our Coast Guardsmen’s preparedness to quickly respond to emergency situations. This is a time-sensitive, mission-critical requirement for the Coast Guard. We’re excited to work with McMurdo for the delivery of personal emergency locator beacons to ensure the best possible outcome for those using these life saving devices.”*

Thomas Hughes, Contracting Officer Representative (COR) for USCG

The FastFind 220 PLB features the latest search and rescue technology available, offered as part of Orolia’s ecosystem of Resilient Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT) solutions. For more information about this USCG contract for the FastFind 220 PLB, please visit <http://www.mcmurdogroup.com/uscg-plb/>.

McMurdo is the global leader in Medium Earth Orbit Search and Rescue (MEOSAR) satellite technology with the only end-to-end solutions for search and rescue. Half of the world’s MEOSAR satellite ground infrastructure has been installed by McMurdo, as well as the manufacture of 25 percent of the world’s 500,000 registered beacons.

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About Orolia

[Orolia](#) Orolia is the world leader in Resilient PNT solutions that improve the reliability, performance and safety of critical, remote or high-risk operations. With locations in more than 100 countries worldwide, Orolia provides virtually fail-safe GPS/GNSS and PNT products and solutions for its customers’ most mission-critical needs.

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