



KVH Introduces Mobile, High-Speed Internet to Europe With TracNet 2.0

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TracNet 2.0 Makes Broadband Internet Access At Sea A Reality Using High-Speed Internet-Via-Satellite Service

MIDDLETOWN, R.I., Nov. 19 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- KVH Industries (Nasdaq: KVHI), the company that pioneered in-motion broadband Internet access in North America, introduced its new TracNet 2.0 Mobile High-speed Internet System today at the 2002 Marine Equipment Trade Show (METS) being held in Amsterdam, Netherlands. TracNet 2.0 provides seamless, two-way Internet access throughout Europe by combining broadband Internet-via-satellite downloads and a wireless return path.

"TracNet 2.0 is a powerful link to the Internet, e-mail, and company intranets thanks to Internet data delivered by high-powered satellite downloads, built-in networking capabilities, and extremely broad coverage areas," explained Mads Bjerre-Petersen, managing director of KVH Europe A/S.

"No other mobile Internet system can offer the range of capabilities built into TracNet 2.0, such as Internet downloads at speeds reaching 512 kilobits per second (Kbps) and simultaneous Internet access by up to 5 separate users. Whether you need Internet access for business, pleasure, or vital information, TracNet 2.0 is the gateway to the Internet, wherever you travel throughout Europe."

Broadband Internet data provided by Xantic is available throughout Europe, the Mediterranean, and parts of the North Sea, Black Sea, and northern Africa. The broadband signal is received by any of KVH's Digital Video Broadcast (DVB)-compatible TracVision satellite TV antennas. These award-winning, fully stabilized marine satellite TV antennas offer access to both the broadband Internet downloads as well as more than 300 channels of digital TV and audio entertainment, news, sports, weather, and business information.

Users can access Internet data via the powerful server-based TracNet 2.0, which offers unmatched networking versatility that includes Ethernet and optional 802.11b (Wi-Fi) wireless network connections. As many as 5 users can surf the web simultaneously from virtually anywhere on board the ship. Outgoing e-mail and Internet requests are transmitted by the TracNet 2.0 wireless return path, which uses KVH's Velocity Acceleration software to boost outgoing transmission speeds to as fast as 56 Kbps. The return path can also be used for standard two-way Internet access should the vessel move outside the broadband coverage area or the satellite signal is blocked. In addition, the standard service can be used when the TracVision antenna is receiving satellite TV signals, allowing passengers and crew to enjoy their favorite television programs as well as two-way Internet connections. TracNet 2.0's standard coverage area extends into the eastern Atlantic and Middle East.

"The need for access to the Internet continues to grow among vessel owners," continued Bjerre-Petersen. "The variety of information that is available -- investment and business data, sports, news, entertainment, e-mail, weather and navigational information -- are all of value to our customers when they are at sea. Our integrated system design and affordable Internet-via-satellite service make broadband Internet access an affordable and powerful option for boat owners, passengers, and crew throughout Europe." Complete information regarding KVH's TracVision and Tracphone systems can be found on the company's web site (<http://www.kvh.com/MarineSat>).

KVH Industries, Inc., designs and manufactures products that enable mobile communications, navigation, and precision pointing through the use of its proprietary mobile satellite antenna and fiber optic technologies. The company is developing next-generation systems with greater precision, durability, and versatility for communications, navigation, and industrial applications. An ISO 9001-registered company, KVH has U.S. headquarters in Rhode Island, with a fiber optic manufacturing facility in Illinois, and a European sales, marketing, and support office in Hoersholm, Denmark.

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