

# ADCP Buoy and Float Manufacturing Relaunched

DeepWater Buoyancy, USA, has relaunched the oceanography/marine measurements line of syntactic foam ADCP buoys, StableMoor floats and trawl resistant bottom mounts (TRBMs) formerly manufactured by Flotation Technologies (Flotec). When Flotation Technologies' parent company chose to discontinue the manufacture of this line of oceanographic flotation, DeepWater Buoyancy stepped in to take it over, continuing to supply flotation products to the oceanographic community. This month, the company is shipping StableMoor buoys, ADCP buoys and a wide range of cable floats and custom parts.

DeepWater Buoyancy opened its doors on 1 January 2014 after securing the designs and manufacturing rights to the Flotation Technologies line of oceanographic products. Loyal customers have embraced the Flotation Technologies designs and DeepWater Buoyancy's ongoing investment in the manufacture and growth of these product lines.

Teledyne RD Instruments and Flotation Technologies worked as industry partners for many years to ensure that the flotation products designed and manufactured by Flotation Technologies met or exceeded the demands of Teledyne RDI's ADCP customers, according to Darryl Symonds, director of Marine Measurements Product Lines for Teledyne RD Instruments.

DeepWater Buoyancy's ADCP deployment products (former Flotation Technologies designs) have supported Teledyne instruments for survey and research clients around the world. These syntactic foam buoys are now leaving the production line at DeepWater Buoyancy, manufactured to the same rigid standards and tested with the rigorous discipline customers have counted on for decades. At extreme depths, valuable undersea data must be supported, protected and successfully retrieved.

DeepWater Buoyancy also stocks parts for legacy Flotation Technologies products, with documentation, quick turn-around and help from the people who know them best. Company President David Capotosto and other experienced former Flotation Technologies team members created DeepWater Buoyancy to serve their long-time customers with proven products and innovative subsea solutions.

DeepWater Buoyancy has already delivered for the offshore oil & gas industry as well. The company has been approved as a worldwide supplier for FMC Technologies, and is now shipping syntactic foam flotation products to FMC's Houston and Malaysian facilities.

Capotosto says his team is particularly enthused about two developments: DeepWater Buoyancy's relaunch of its Teledyne RD Instruments partner line of ADCP deployment products, and the announcement of the company's international sales network.

Capotosto noted he is looking forward to attending Oceanology International and meeting professionals that have been using these instruments.

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