## Ashtead Technology Increases Sonardyne 6G Rental Pool



Ashtead Technology has announced the purchase of GBP1.3 million worth of Sonardyne 6G acoustic positioning equipment. The announcement was made on the opening day of Ocean Business 2013 in Southampton, UK. To complete the order, Ashtead Technology also purchased Sonardyne's new back deck acoustic transponder test and configuration device, iWand.

This latest acquisition is the second significant order placed by the company for 6G in the last 12 months, further strengthening the Ashtead Technology fleet of Compatt 6 transponders, including various sound velocity, digiquartz and inclinometer sensors,

GyroCompatts, RovNav 6 LBL transceivers and both omni and directional Wideband Sub Mini transponders. The fleet is available to rent globally from Ashtead Technology's strategically located bases in Aberdeen, Houston and Singapore and through its agents in Stavanger, Perth and Abu Dhabi.

6G products utilise Sonardyne's ultra-wideband width, digital ranging and telemetry protocols developed to increase the precision, speed and reliability of acoustic positioning and aided inertial navigation operations. The platform has been proven to deliver significant operational savings, allowing multi-user subsea construction survey tasks to be completed in less time than was previously possible.

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