

The **VERIPOS Apex<sup>5</sup>** is a global, high-accuracy, GNSS positioning service designed to meet all offshore positioning and navigation applications. Apex<sup>5</sup> is an extension to the VERIPOS Apex services using GNSS observations from 5 available GNSS systems; GPS, GLONASS, BEIDOU, GALILEO and QZSS.

Apex<sup>5</sup> operates using Precise Point Positioning (PPP) – an absolute positioning technique which corrects or models all GNSS error sources, i.e. GPS satellite orbit and clocks, tropospheric, ionospheric and multipath errors. The PPP technique consists of a single set of ‘globally applicable’ corrections to the satellite orbits and clocks, so position accuracy is maintained regardless of user location.

VERIPOS operates its own orbit and clock determination system (OCDS) which derives real-time corrections for all available satellites in the GNSS

constellations using proprietary algorithms. The OCDS uses data from the VERIPOS reference station network with multiple and redundant OCDS systems running in VERIPOS-operated Network Control Centres in Aberdeen and Singapore.

The Apex<sup>5</sup> service uses satellites from the GPS, GLONASS, BEIDOU, GALILEO and QZSS constellations. New constellations mean that VERIPOS now has access to, new civilian signals, higher power levels on signals and constellations that are interoperable. This all combines to provide the multi-constellation Apex<sup>5</sup> service which will provide users with the following benefits:

- More satellites ,more observations, more redundancy
- Faster convergence of Apex<sup>5</sup> PPP service
- Improved satellite count, and position availability, in masked and scintillated environments
- Delivering more robust and reliable positioning

As more satellites are added to the BEIDOU, GALILEO and QZSS constellations, these will automatically become available within the Apex<sup>5</sup> service once the satellite is set healthy.

Apex<sup>5</sup> service is broadcast alongside the Apex/Apex<sup>2</sup> Ultra services via seven geostationary communications satellites to ensure availability and service redundancy.



Precise Satellite Positioning Services

### GNSS Satellite Constellation

GPS, GLONASS, GALILEO\*, BEIDOU, QZSS

### Observations used

GPS L1/L2  
GLONASS L1/L2  
BEIDOU B1 & B2  
GALILEO\* E1 & E5b  
QZSS L1C & L2L

### Positioning Technique

Precise Point Positioning (PPP)

### Reference station network

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### Availability

Global

### Geostationary satellites

25E 98W 143.5E AORE AORW IOR POR

### Horizontal Accuracy\*\*

<5cm at 2 $\sigma$  (95%)

### Vertical Accuracy\*\*

<12cm at 2 $\sigma$  (95%)

### Coordinate Reference Frame

ITRF08

\* The Galileo constellation is not currently set healthy so will be omitted in the calculations. When the constellation is set healthy then the system will operate including Galileo in the calculations without a software change.

\*\* Based on static data logged in Aberdeen, Houston and Singapore over a 7 day period. Accuracy will vary with observing conditions.

