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B&G® Launches NAIS 500 Class-B AIS

Compact Low Power Transponder Vital for Collision Avoidance

Chandler's Ford, UK - B&G®, the world's leading sailing navigation and instrument specialist, is pleased to announce today, a fully integrated, Class-B Automatic Identification System (AIS) transponder – the B&G NAIS 500. Essential for navigating busy shipping lanes and congested ports, the NAIS 500 — which includes a dedicated GPS-500 receiver — is compact in size, lightweight and fully waterproof. It offers low power draw and features multiple connections for networking with any Zeus3 series multifunction display.

Meeting the strict regulations set for Class-B AIS transponders, the NAIS 500 ensures that a vessel is seen on a display – reducing the risk of collisions. The transponder sends a signal to other vessels in the area allowing sailors to plan any necessary avoidance maneuvers well in advance. Compatible with NMEA 2000®, NMEA 0183®, NMEA 0183 multiplexing and USB, the NAIS 500 is simple to install in any configuration. Capable of withstanding the harshest offshore conditions, the transponder meets IPX7 standards. Weighing less than 9 ounces (250 grams) and featuring a low average power consumption of 180 mA at 12 VDC, the NAIS 500 is ideal for any size sailboat.

“Identifying ships that are heading towards you is almost as important as knowing where you are and is vital to safe passage,” said Leif Ottosson, CEO, Navico. “With current regulations, most commercial ships are required to have AIS onboard. The

NAIS 500 works with B&G multifunction displays to provide sailors with the peace of mind that, regardless of the sea conditions, they will be visible to any traffic in the area.”

Pairing the NSPL-500 VHF Splitter Box with the NAIS-500 enables the capability to use a single VHF antenna for the NAIS-500 and a VHF fixed-mount radio.

NAIS-500 Class B AIS with GPS-500 Antenna: £ 741.66

NAIS-500 with GPS-500, NSPL-500, Micro-C Cable and T Connector: £ 958.33

NSPL-500: £ 216.66

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