

ESL COMPLETES 1,000 LRIT TESTS WITH POLE STAR

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European Satellite Link GmbH (ESL), Germany's leading satellite solution provider, has completed 1,000 Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) tests using the Pole Star LRIT conformance testing system.

Henrik Christensen, CEO of ESL, said: "We have been working with Pole Star for over five years and have been delighted to supply our clients with their web-based Fleet Management and Ship Security Alert systems. Now joining our unique hardware offering with Pole Star's LRIT testing service, we can provide our customers with a complete LRIT solution. Pole Star is at the forefront of LRIT compliance and their support is excellent. We are pleased to be working with them to make a major contribution to marine safety".

Pole Star is the leading supplier of LRIT conformance testing in the commercial marine market and is already the LRIT Authorised Testing Application Service Provider (ASP) for over 70 Flags. The Pole Star LRIT testing system manages all aspects of the LRIT test, including, where authorised, issuing an LRIT Conformance Test Report (certificate) on behalf of the Flag State of the vessel.

David Plumer, CEO of Pole Star, said: "I would like to congratulate ESL on achieving this milestone".

"We work with all the major satellite equipment manufacturers, communications service providers, land earth station operators, Inmarsat and other satellite communication network providers to ensure that the LRIT system works end-to-end. Our unrivalled experience in the marine industry means that we have the capacity to offer leading LRIT testing services to the global market via our excellent network of distributors. Our partner ESL has been able to provide these services to their customers quickly and efficiently, to ensure they are LRIT compliant in good time".

"Pole Star and ESL work well together," continued David Plumer, "and I look forward to continuing and developing our relationship".

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