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Flightcom Receives Comprehensive Patent for Wireless Ground Support Communication System

Wireless Headset System improves efficiency and safety, reducing aircraft and equipment damage during pushback, deicing, cargo, and maintenance operations

October 30, 2012 – Portland, OR – Flightcom, a leader in team communication solutions for aviation, today announced that the United States Patent and Trademark Office has awarded the company a patent for its [wireless ground support communication systems](#). Flightcom's systems improve [pushback](#), towing, deicing, maintenance, and cargo operations for flight and ground crews through completely wireless, full-duplex, hands-free communication. The patent covers key system features including connection to the aircraft, secure communication links among the flight and ground crew, and Pilot Alert™ to ensure removal of the system before flight. The patent was issued to Flightcom's parent company, Sonetics Corporation.

"Airport ramps are noisy and potentially dangerous workplaces where clear communication is essential to reduce risks to people and equipment," said Mike Walsh, Flightcom director of business development. "This patent confirms Flightcom's continuing leadership and innovation in ground support solutions that improve operational effectiveness and productivity while helping to prevent losses from accidents and injuries."

Flightcom's wireless ground support systems improve safety, efficiency and productivity by ensuring that all team members can communicate clearly at distances up to 1600 feet. Wireless communication hubs and full-duplex, hands-free headsets combine into solutions that are configured and scaled to each customer's specific operational requirements, making them adaptable to team communication in virtually all ground support environments.

About Flightcom

Flightcom is the leading manufacturer and worldwide supplier of rugged wireless team communication solutions for military and aviation environments. The company supports hundreds of thousands of pilots, commercial and military flight crews, and ground support personnel with headsets and intercoms that deliver clear communications, even under the most challenging circumstances. Flightcom systems offer full-duplex hands-free communication with a choice of wired or wireless noise-reduction headsets, general aviation headsets, and flight or portable wireless intercoms. All Flightcom commercial systems qualify for its exclusive ComCare Service Programs, which provide up to five years of extended protection and expedited customer care -- the longest in the industry. Flightcom is a subsidiary of Sonetics Corporation. Visit www.flightcom.net or call (800) 432-4342 for more information.

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