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First Augusta A109 Grand Helicopter in USA fitted with Latitude Technologies SkyNode S200 voice and tracking system

Victoria, B.C., September 25, 2006 – N1US, the first Augusta A109 Grand Helicopter to be based in the United States, has been fitted with the SkyNode S200-021 satellite voice and tracking system manufactured by Latitude Technologies. The system includes separate dialers for flight crew and cabin passengers.



The A109 was flown from the factory in Italy to the US. Upon arrival, the S200 system was installed and immediately impressed the new owner with its tracking accuracy. The helicopter will be based in the mid-Atlantic States and operated in the DC area.

The Augusta A109 Grand Helicopter complete with the SkyNode S200-021 installation will be on display in the Augusta booth at this month's NBAA convention. Next spring, the A109 will depart on an around the world helicopter speed record flight and will be tracked using the S200-021 tracking functions and Latitude's Sentinel web-based mapping and reporting system. "Voice and data communications will be vital to our success during the upcoming record breaking flights as well as a necessity during routine operations in remote areas" said Steve Sheik, Chief Pilot for N1US.

About the S200-021

The SkyNode® S200-021 is the smallest, lightest, most versatile and economical to operate voice and 2-way data communication device in the world. The S200-21 provides satellite phone and data networking for aircraft operating anywhere on the planet. Data functions include autonomous and host-pollled asset positioning, sensor/event relay, email and custom messaging interfaces. The S200-021 is well suited for SAR/VIP and other air/ground logistics applications including dispatch and crew safety.



S200-021
2-wire POTS telephony
and PBX interfaces

About Latitude

Latitude Technologies Corporation, headquartered in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada is a leading supplier of avionics voice and data equipment and services used by customers worldwide for the management of risk and location of critical assets. Latitude operates the Sentinel data management and mapping service and provides telematics and remote communication system engineering consulting, including custom application development.

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