

News Release

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Cobham and Marlink Provides Satellite Communications Capability to Project Kaisei

Concord, California – Cobham – a World leader in stabilized marine antenna systems – has teamed with Project Kaisei to help support their research of the North Pacific Gyre, an area of the Pacific Ocean polluted by a vast mass of floating plastic and other debris. Cobham SATCOM has provided Project Kaisei with a 4006RZ communications antenna that has allowed the Kaisei Team to access voice and internet connectivity through airtime provided by Marlink.

With the combined help of Cobham and satellite communications provider Marlink, the project team can document their expedition via the internet and interested parties can follow their journey as they collect findings. In addition to airtime for coverage in the North Pacific region, Marlink has donated a satellite modem and VOIP adapter to the environmental project.

"Project Kaisei/Ocean Voyages Institute is extremely excited and thankful to have Cobham SATCOM partnering with us on this important mission. The amazing equipment and assistance they have supplied is the determining factor in our ability to reach the peoples of the world with real-time updates from the Pacific." said Ryan Yerkey, chief of operations for Project Kaisei and director, Ocean Voyages Institute. "The quality of Cobham's equipment is outstanding and it has performed flawlessly in the marine environment."



(Photos Courtesy of Troy Brajkovich, Project Kaisei)

About Project Kaisei:

"Project Kaisei," a mission of Ocean Voyages Institute, is seeking viable solutions to the problems associated with Marine Debris in North Pacific Gyre. Dedicated to a multi-pronged approach, this years mission is centered on developing a sound scientific sampling of the Marine Debris, obtaining a "snap shot" of what further science and expeditions will be able to accurately determine is the impact to the ocean environment & marine-life as well as testing the harvesting and reclamation technology which will be required for a full-scale cleanup to begin. The data gleaned from this year's mission will be utilized in education and awareness campaigns, highlighting ways in which people can take action

to keep this problem from escalating and reverse the damage to our oceans. Please see:
<http://www.projectkaisei.org/>

About Cobham:

Cobham's products and services have been at the heart of sophisticated military and civil systems for more than 70 years, keeping people safe, improving communications, and enhancing the capability of land, sea, air and space platforms. The Company has four divisions employing more than 12,000 people on five continents, with customers and partners in over 100 countries and annual revenue of more than £1.4bn / \$2.1 billion.

About Marlink:

Marlink is a global satellite communications leader, providing maritime customers with one source for an entire range of voice and data solutions backed by the industry's most trusted service and support network. As the developers of *Sealink™* -- one of the most established VSAT solutions in commercial maritime market – Marlink's offering for bulk cargo vessels, yachts and leisure vessels is *WaveCall™*, a fast, cost-efficient Maritime VSAT Solution providing professional-class communications at sea. Across its wide range of satellite communications products and solutions, Marlink routes communication through its own teleports to ensure superior quality, reliability and flexibility for Marlink customers. With offices worldwide, including Athens, Brussels, Dubai, Hamburg, Houston, London, Oslo, Rockville, Singapore and Tokyo, Marlink delivers the widest choice in satellite communication solutions matched with expert personal support available day or night, from anywhere. Please see: <http://www.marlink.com>

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