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RE: APPLICATION FOR USCG APPROVAL OF 406MHZ EPIRB MODELS MT401 &MT401FF

Dear Sir/Madam,

Standard Communications Pty Ltd is a leading manufacturer and supplier of Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacons (EPIRB) and Personal Locator Beacons (PLB) to the world market. Based in Australia, this company has been designing and manufacturing beacons for over 25 years under the "GME" brand name.

It is our intention to market select models within the USA after satisfying applicable local regulatory and approval requirements. We are putting forward this submission and accompanying data as the first step in that process for the:

- MT401 Class 2 Water and manually activated 406MHz EPIRB with 121.5MHz homing transmitter; and
- MT401FF Class 2 IMO GMDSS compliant Float Free 406MHz EPIRB with 121.5MHz homing transmitter.

Our 406MHz EPIRB range has been approved by COSPAS-SARSAT (TAC 139) and nationally accepted by the relevant authorities for use in Australia, New Zealand, Europe, Singapore, Hong Kong, Israel, Russia, India and South Africa.

Significantly, these products have been assessed by an independent European "Notified Body" (0062) in accordance with Marine Directive 96/98/EC (as amended) and granted approval to bear the wheelmark symbol (). Our products are thereby authorised for sale throughout the entire European Union, with the MT401FF also able to be used in satisfaction of IMO GMDSS requirements.

Please find as part of this submission three identical copies of a CD ROM that each includes all submission data (including a copy of this letter) in pdf format for your consideration.

I remain at your disposal to provide clarification or further information as required regarding both our product and this application submission.

Yours faithfully

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