

## News Release

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### **MCL WINS FURTHER HEARING PROTECTION ORDER**

Marlborough Communications Limited (MCL), a Cohort plc company working with INVISIO Communications A/S, has received a further order for its S10 Tactical Hearing Protection Systems from the UK Ministry of Defence.

The order, valued at more than £2 million, will provide hearing protection for RAF, Royal Navy and Reservist personnel and follows this month's completion of the initial order supplying more than 19,000 systems to the British Army. MCL and INVISIO completed the programme five months ahead of schedule, with the contract including a full support package for the next four years, training, documentation, spares and project management.

Under the latest order, MCL and INVISIO will also provide a full support package for the next three years, with the option to extend for a further three years.

MCL Managing Director Darren Allery commented: "The THPS DCCU contract is a great success and we are delighted to receive this follow on order. Our size, agility and partnership with INVISIO and the MOD has enabled us to achieve the in service date ahead of schedule and complete deliveries to the Army well within the schedule."

Commenting on the INVISIO S10, Major General Richard Talbot Rice, Director Land Equipment, said: "The INVISIO S10 hearing protection system will deliver a key capability for the Armed Forces, providing first rate situational awareness and better prevents hearing damage to personnel on operations whilst offering more comfort."

The S10 Tactical Hearing Protection Systems for the Dismounted Close Combat User (THPS DCCU) are a significant step forward in the technology designed to protect the user's hearing in training and combat situations.

It is an in-ear hearing protection and communication system for use on a single radio and consists of an in-ear hearing protection headset with control unit housing the electronics for situational awareness and impulse noise protection. It is made up of two components the X5 Bone Conduction Hearing Protection Headset and the inline control unit.

The system uses advanced digital signal processing, miniaturised audio components and ergonomic headset design to provide the most natural hearing possible. Instead of traditional sound wave technology, the patented INVISIO Bone Conduction Technology uses a small and comfortable in-ear

microphone that picks up vibrations from the user's jawbone. The vibrations are converted into sound, delivering crystal clear communication under extreme conditions, even when whispering.

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**Notes to Editors:**

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**MCL**, acquired by Cohort plc in 2014, is a supplier of advanced electronic communications, information systems and signals intelligence technology to the defence and security sectors. Working with partners, prime contractors and directly with the customer, the company utilises an international network of specialist technology providers, combined with its own bespoke design, engineering and integration skills, to supply a diverse portfolio of C4IS and ISTAR capabilities.

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