

Saft and Boeing renew satellite battery Long Term Agreement for lithium-ion

Five-year LTA solidifies nearly decade-long partnership for high-energy lithium-ion batteries

Paris, October 13th, 2015 - Saft, the world's leading designer and manufacturer of high technology batteries for industry, has been awarded a Long Term Agreement (LTA) with The Boeing Company (Boeing) to supply lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries for its telecommunication satellites.

The five-year agreement, executed in follow-up to a 2009 LTA, allows Saft to provide a steady and reliable supply of Li-ion batteries to meet the rigorous demands of the space environment, powering Boeing's satellites when solar rays are blocked by the earth and supporting the entire geosynchronous orbit (GEO) mission duration.

Additionally, the lightweight Boeing battery design using Saft's Li-ion cells allows for a lighter overall satellite, resulting in significant launch cost savings for Boeing and other spacecraft manufacturers.

"Saft's continued relationship with Boeing further validates our proven history and heritage in the space and GEO markets, which now includes more than 145 satellites that have been powered by Saft advanced Li-ion technology solutions," said Thomas Alcide, President of Saft America, Inc. and General Manager of Saft's Specialty Battery Group. "We look forward to extending vendor status with Boeing and are excited about the opportunity to grow our reputation as a leading manufacturer of satellite batteries."

With more than 50 years of experience in the space market, Saft's Li-ion technology and solutions have long been used to withstand extremely demanding missions with GEO and medium earth orbit (MEO) global positioning satellites, and to support specific applications such as high power telecommunications to observation and defense low earth orbit (LEO) satellites.

About Saft

Saft (Euronext: Saft) is a world leading designer and manufacturer of advanced technology batteries for industry. The Group is the world's leading manufacturer of nickel batteries and primary lithium batteries for the industrial infrastructure and processes, transportation, civil and military electronics' markets. Saft is the world leader in space and defence batteries with its Liion technologies which are also deployed in the energy storage, transportation and telecommunication network markets. More than 4,000 employees in 18 countries, 14 manufacturing sites and an extensive sales network all contribute to accelerating the Group's growth for the future.

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