

German Order For GNSS Survey Receivers

Altus Positioning Systems has been selected to supply 100 APS-3 GNSS survey receivers for the state government of Baden-Württemberg in Germany. The APS-3 systems will initially be used as control for monitoring and verifying agricultural production under the Integrated Administration and Control System (InVeKoS) program mandated by the European Union (EU) under Council Regulation 3508/92.

Josef Attenberger GmbH, Altus' representative in Germany, won the tender from the Baden-Württemberg Geo Information and Land Development office (LGL) in a competitive bid.

"The price-performance relation and the quality of the Altus APS-3 receivers, together with the personal commitment of the Attenberger team for maintenance and service, were important factors in the contract award," said Werner Keißwetter, marketing manager, Joseph Attenberger GmbH.

The APS-3 receivers have been approved for local InVeKoS control by the German certification authority, TÜV-SÜD, to meet the EU regulations.

The Altus 136-channel APS-3 is a compact, lightweight, portable GNSS RTK receiver. It is based on the high-precision Septentrio multi-frequency AsteRx2e engine. The unit is completely configurable from the data collector via Bluetooth for either base or rover operation with the internal UHF radio or for network rover operation with the internal quad-band GSM/GPRS modem. Its removable 2-GB SD card enables plug-and-play of raw data transfer for post processing.

Neil Vancans, president and CEO of Altus Positioning Systems, said, "This substantial order, obtained through the efforts of our valued sales partner in Germany, is an important validation of our APS-3 technology, which offers significant competitive benefits and advantages over other higher-priced GNSS survey receivers on the market today. For instance, we designed the product so that it can be used as a rover or base station, eliminating the need to purchase two separate dedicated units."