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### **CANARY COMMUNICATIONS DELIVERS FIBER OPTIC EQUIPMENT FOR US NAVY SHIPBOARD APPLICATIONS ... IMPLEMENTING KEY SAVINGS UNDER THE DOD/DEFENSE DEPARTMENT COTS INITIATIVES**

Morgan Hill CA — The U.S. Navy has received and is using commercial fiber optic equipment supplied by Canary Communications for a wide variety of surface combatant and support vessels critical to U.S. naval operations.

The equipment was procured as part of the DoD/Pentagon Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) initiatives where private sector state-of-the-art commercial equipment is utilized in selected defense applications to save development time and cost. COTS allows the use of commercial equipment in place of equipment purpose-developed under mil-spec rules. Benefits from the COTS program include quicker integration of new technologies, lower total life-cycle costs, and much lower initial acquisition costs (a result of the aggressive pricing competition in the civilian IT market).

“Many of Canary’s hardware shipments go to military/defense applications,” said Jim Mc Seaton, Canary’s Director of Sales and Marketing. “and we have been delighted to learn that there has been extensive deployment of our fiber optic equipment aboard advanced U.S. Navy warships.” Canary equipment had been known to be used aboard a number of nuclear powered aircraft carriers and Military Sea Lift Command ships. “We were pleasantly surprised to discover that a significant number of shipments has also been deployed aboard Arleigh Burke (DDG-51) class guided missile destroyers,” he added.

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Arguably the most advanced destroyers in any navy, these warships employ the integrated AEGIS/SPY-1 surveillance/battle-management system and a variety of surface-to-surface, air-and-missile defense, and land-attack missile systems, making them formidable combatants. "Canary Communications is very proud to be able to make an important contribution to the U.S. Navy, and we look forward to continuing to be a key supplier of components for these highly capable warships," continued Mc Seaton.



*The USS Donald Cook Guided Missile Destroyer  
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