



Africa Wildlife Tracking Leverages ORBCOMM's Satellite IoT Technology to Support Conservation Efforts Around the World

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Tracking and monitoring solutions help reduce poaching, protect endangered wildlife and deliver valuable insights into animal behavior for researchers and conservationists



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ROCHELLE PARK, N.J., Oct. 07, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ORBCOMM Inc. (Nasdaq: ORBC), a global provider of Internet of Things (IoT) solutions, today announced that Africa Wildlife Tracking (AWT), the leader in tracking wildlife, is leveraging ORBCOMM's advanced [satellite IoT technology](#) to track and monitor animals of all sizes to support their conservation efforts. With the added threat of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to supply local populations with food, poaching is likely to increase, making ORBCOMM's IoT solutions more important than ever in helping AWT protect endangered wildlife.

Headquartered in South Africa, AWT is utilizing ORBCOMM's state-of-the-art [satellite modems](#) to provide secure, near real-time [GPS tracking](#) and monitoring of large animals such as elephants in some of the world's most remote regions and densest forests. Radio-frequency identification ([RFID](#)) transmitters on smaller animals such as wild dogs and cheetahs communicate with the ORBCOMM devices on the elephants' collars and transmit data to AWT's proprietary software applications. The ORBCOMM modem's small size and low-power consumption transceivers have resulted in improved longevity and performance in the battery-powered elephant collars. By having access to near-real-time data, researchers, conservationists and game reserves can extrapolate and analyze the information, deliver insights into animal behavior and gain visibility into situations when animals are under threat of poaching through alarms, tamper detection and geofence alerts.

ORBCOMM's ubiquitous [satellite connectivity](#) is critical to enabling AWT to track and monitor animals in their natural habitats. ORBCOMM's ruggedized [IoT devices](#) can withstand these complex environments, extreme weather conditions and tough terrain, which is often dusty, muddy and covered with dense forests. In addition, ORBCOMM's robust devices are highly reliable in the field, which is extremely important given the extensive costs, resources and logistics involved in putting tags and collars on the animals AWT tracks.

"We are pleased to partner with AWT to support their important mission of protecting endangered wildlife and their natural environments across several continents," said Marc Eisenberg, Chief Executive Officer of ORBCOMM Inc. "ORBCOMM's global satellite coverage offers a unique advantage for AWT by ensuring reliable, secure and cost-effective communications in some of the most isolated areas of the world and delivering valuable animal data and alerts that help them stay one step ahead of poachers."

"AWT's emphasis is on anti-poaching, especially in the current environment, so we need a reliable unit that will report regularly, and ORBCOMM offers an ideal solution," said Martin Haupt, Founder of Africa Wildlife Tracking. "ORBCOMM's sophisticated IoT technology is key in making the collection and verification of the data a lot easier and driving valuable results. ORBCOMM's units are smaller and power-efficient; the data travels by satellite; and there's more live information than ever before."

For more information on ORBCOMM's satellite IoT portfolio, visit <https://www.orbcomm.com/en/partners>. To learn about AWT's cross-continent expertise in tracking more than 6,000 animals in 40 countries around the world, please visit <https://awt.co.za>.

About ORBCOMM Inc.

ORBCOMM (Nasdaq: ORBC) is a global leader and innovator in the industrial Internet of Things, providing solutions that connect businesses to their assets to deliver increased visibility and operational efficiency. The company offers a broad set of asset monitoring and control solutions, including seamless satellite and cellular connectivity, unique hardware and powerful applications, all backed by end-to-end customer support, from installation to deployment to customer care. ORBCOMM has a diverse customer base including premier OEMs, solutions customers and channel partners spanning

transportation, supply chain, warehousing and inventory, heavy equipment, maritime, natural resources, and government. For more information, visit www.orbcomm.com.

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