



SERVICE ALERT

NO.: 0816

TO: All Garmin Aviation Service Centers
DATE: 7 May 2008
SUBJECT: Forward Looking Terrain Avoidance (FLTA) Alert Over the Open Ocean/Sea

AFFECTED PRODUCTS

All TAWS-equipped G1000, G950, G900X, and GNS 500W Series units are affected.

NOTE

Non-WAAS equipped GNS 500 Series units are not affected.

DESCRIPTION

Garmin has identified an issue concerning the Terrain Database, whereby TAWS-B Forward Looking Terrain Avoidance (FLTA) alerts are not available when flying over the open ocean/sea (specifically any body of water at sea level). TAWS-B functions properly in all other locations.

Do not use TAWS-B information for primary terrain avoidance. TAWS-B is intended only to enhance situational awareness.

RESOLUTION

Terrain Database 08T2 will soon be made available on the Garmin website (<http://shop.garmin.com/aviation/databases/>). The 08T2 Terrain Database download will be free of charge until 12/31/08.

IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

Until the database update is installed, operators should be aware that FLTA alerts are not available when flying over the open ocean/sea (specifically any body of water at sea level).

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