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Press Release

FlexRadio Systems Announces Upcoming Availability of SmartSDR™ v3.0

SmartSDR v3.0 introduces multiFLEX™, a multi-client feature for the FLEX-6000 series transceivers

Austin TX – January 28, 2019: FlexRadio Systems announced today the upcoming availability of SmartSDR v3.0 for the FLEX-6000 Series of transceivers. Available as a purchase download from the FlexRadio website, SmartSDR v3.0 provides operators with the ability to connect an additional client device; PC, Maestro, iPad, or iPhone to their FLEX-6000 Series transceiver. This feature, named multiFLEX, is an industry first, allowing more than one operator at a time to connect to a FLEX series radio or for an individual operator to use two client devices simultaneously. SmartSDR with multiFLEX does not just provide the operator with a new feature but gives them “2nd radio” capability for the low upgrade price of \$199 USD. multiFLEX is a unique feature offering to FlexRadio transceivers that affords the operator the following benefits:

Ability to Use Multiple Clients at One Location

At its most basic benefit, multiFLEX allows the operator to decide which clients to use and how to “partition” activities to best suit his or her operating style. For example, the operator might want to use a Maestro to operate DX with control knobs while using SmartSDR for Windows or iOS to watch many bands for openings, or utilize spots from a program to show needed countries, multipliers, etc. This feature provides the operator better control and operational awareness unlike ever before.

Reduced Station Costs for Contesters

multiFLEX allows a Flex radio owner to operate contests in a Multi/1 or Multi/2 configuration with one or two radios, respectively, rather than the normal two or four that is required in today’s station configurations. This significantly reduces the cost and complexity of operating in either of these modes while also allowing for ‘remote’ operation where both operators needn’t be in the same physical location. This also reduces complexity in a local setup as you do not have to worry with “lock-out”, switching antennas, etc. In addition, multiFLEX allows for two operators to share the best antenna at the site, something that is not possible with a two radio setup unless you add external relay switching.

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Enhances Remote Operation Capabilities

multiFLEX provides for various scenarios when it comes to remote operation. These can include:

- allowing a “remote” operator to participate in a contest even though they aren’t in the same physical location
- allowing multi-single contesting with one radio. By using SmartLink remote, the operators do not need to be physically present with the radio
- allowing another ham to log in to your radio to Elmer them through the SmartSDR/FlexRadio experience and much more.....

In addition to the multiFLEX feature, this first release of SmartSDR 3.0 will also include:

- new band settings menu/panel that allow a user to set certain settings per band like power levels, TX inhibit, ACC/TX1/TX2/TX3 enables, RCA/ACC TX request enable and HWALC
- TX/MIC Profile Changes – all settings are now saved on the fly (as settings are changed)

SmartSDR v3.0 is an optional upgrade and customers can choose to continue operation on their current version of software. Customers that have purchased a FlexRadio FLEX-6000 series transceiver or a SmartSDR v2.x license starting October 1, 2018 have already been pre-licensed for this SmartSDR v3.0 and can upgrade to v3.0 at no charge. SmartSDR v3.0 is expected to be available for download in March 2019.

For additional information on SmartSDR v3.0, the FLEX-6XXX products or FlexRadio please visit www.flexradio.com or visit us during Hamcation in Orlando, February 8-10, 2019.

About FlexRadio Systems

FlexRadio Systems is a pioneer in the design and development of software defined radios (SDRs) for the amateur radio market. Founded in 2003, FlexRadio was the first to introduce SDR radio to the amateur community allowing for personality, functionality and performance of the radio to be upgraded through simple software downloads. This revolution by FlexRadio Systems allowed for the evolution of amateur radio as we know it today. FlexRadio Systems is headquartered in Austin, Texas, USA. For more information, please visit www.flexradio.com or follow FlexRadio Systems on Twitter or Facebook.

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