

# TIGAR TSS Integrated Ground-based Air Radar

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#### TSS Solutions TIGAR at a Glance

#### **Description:**

Fully modernized transportable 3D radar system, designed to provide a longrange air picture that detects, tracks, and automatically classifies the full threat spectrum.

#### 3D Range:

Up to 240 nautical miles.

## **Mobility:** Fully transportable by air,

land, or sea, with rapid setup and teardown capabilities.

## **Reliability:** Designed for minimal maintenance and

high operational availability, even in harsh environments.

#### Modernization

**imperative:** The TIGAR system is equipped with TSS-designed and integrated subsystems that deliver significantly improved performance, reliability, and operability over the current AN/TPS series of Radar systems.

# **Introducing TIGAR**

### TSS Solutions matches emerging tech to modern defense needs

TSS Solutions is the recognized leader in supporting and modernizing Radar systems around the world. Building on our tradition of excellence, we proudly introduce the the TSS Integrated Ground-based Air Radar (TIGAR), a fully upgraded and modernized AN/TPS-43 radar system.

We have leveraged our industryleading expertise and our reputation for innovation to create TIGAR, powered by integrated, state-of-the-art subsystems that deliver significantly improved performance, reliability, and operability over the current AN/TPS series of Radar systems.

In developing TIGAR, TSS Solutions has added a significant number of emerging technology upgrades to the TPS-43 radar system that greatly improve air surveillance detection, tracking, and classification for our partner nations. Our Radar Depot in Melbourne, FL, enables cost-effective technology insertions that greatly extend the service life of these systems, and our field service teams conduct installation and training required to assist our defense partners.

Having completed upgrades of the TPS-70 and TPS-75 for the U.S. Air Force, TSS Solutions is well positioned as the leader in technically refreshing legacy Radar systems in support of our global defense customer base.

## Investing in the TIGAR system ensures:

- Enhanced detection ranges and accuracy.
- Improved resistance to jamming and electronic warfare tactics.
- Seamless integration with contemporary defense systems and networks.
- Extended service life and reduced maintenance burdens.

With the addition of the new Signal Processor, IF Receiver, Frequency Generator, RF Driver, and Array Signal Amplifiers, TIGAR is fully modernized for current and future threat scenarios, delivering a robust, adaptive, and sustainable asset, ready to tackle the challenges of today and tomorrow.



**Don DiFrisco, President and CEO** TSS Solutions

# **TIGAR: The Superior Choice**

The advanced features of TSS Solutions' TIGAR Upgrade rival even those of newer, top-of-the-line Radar surveillance systems at a fraction of the cost.



TIGAR

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## **System Upgrades and Replacements**

The following major asset components are removed, replaced, or relocated from the AN/TPS-43/72 for the TSS Solutions TIGAR modernization:

## Upgraded

Amplifier Assembly, RF (new)

**Antenna** Upgraded with new Array Signal Amplifiers, Receivers, and Circulators

Console Assembly, PPI (new)

Radar Processor (new)

Manifold and Hose Assembly, Return (new)

Manifold and Hose Assembly, Supply (new)

#### **OEM Tx Control Panel Assembly** Updated

**Power Distribution Panel Assembly** Modified and added new

IFF Interrogator Mode 5/S Upgraded

**Rotary Joint and Tilt Sensor** (new) Includes Modes 5 and S; fiber bundle Slip Ring Technology

Frequency Generator (new)



## Replaced

Focus Coil Assembly, Power Supply

Focus Coil (recommended)

**Power Supply** 

Power Supply, Vacuum Pump

Soft Start Assembly (Replaced with VFD)

Waveguide Assembly (Reused/Replaced)

### **Reused**, Relocated

Harmonic Filter (Reused)

Track Assembly (Relocated)



## – Removed

Shunt Regulator Module Assembly, Pulse Forming Network Amplifier Assembly, Trigger Amplifier/Modulator Resistor Array OEM Oil Tank Assembly SF6 Tank Assembly Diode Assembly

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#### DISPLAYS

Legacy displays are replaced with our new touchscreen LCDs to deliver significant usability enhancements, including software that provides superior tactical interfaces for operators. All tracked and untracked videos are output from the video processor as ASTERIX Ethernet signals in CAT-240. The additional capabilities added to the AN/TPS-43 signal and post-processing functions include ADS-B data incorporated and available at the output and on the display. Legacy maintenance display functions can optionally be integrated into and handled by the TSS PPI display. A 3D Tracker is an available option.



**Upgraded PPI Display** 

#### PROCESSOR

The new processor includes IF receiver, signal/data processing, Radar control, self-test/monitoring and Frequency Generator functions while retaining the functionality of the legacy processor. Improved system characteristics include:

#### **Pulse Correlator**

Adaptable pulse compression technique ensures optimal S/N while maintaining sufficient range resolution

#### Dual Beam Processing or Vertical Clutter Canceler (VCC) Improved clutter mitigation and interference suppression

#### **Median Filter**

Interference suppression and improved detection performance

#### **Doppler processing**

Improved target detection and false target processing over legacy MTI processing

#### **CFAR/clutter** maps

High-resolution clutter maps and CFAR processing for each Doppler filter

#### Slow Clutter Canceler (SCC)

Enhanced Anomalous Propagation performance

#### **Plot Extractor**

Improved positional accuracy (in both range and azimuth) and false target mitigation

#### TRANSMITTER

The TSS transmitter incorporates the new TSS solid-state RF Driver. The solid-state modulator has scalable output modulator power. This allows the modulator to decrease the brute force pulsing that was required in the past, adding the benefits of redundancy and longevity as a result of reduced pulse intensity. The output can be adjusted as a portion of the total in increments, which allows even degraded systems to continue to operate.

#### **Extended Service Life**

The new Klystrons deliver improved performance and system longevity using only 2.8 MW power output

#### Redundancy

Solid-state modulators allow full power operation with one modulator failure and reduced power operation with two failed modulators

#### **RF DRIVER**

The new TSS solid-state RF Driver reduces the cost of future repairs and delivers several performance benefits. The increased phase stability of the output pulses allows better MTI performance on the receiver side. The TSS RF Driver is part of the TSS transmitter but is also available in a FFF chassis to upgrade OEM RF Drivers in the AN/TPS-43, 70, 72, and 75 Radars. This design eliminates DMS issues.

#### **ROTARY JOINT**

The proprietary design of the TSS Solutions high-power Rotary Joint utilizes Carbon Seals, Fiber Bundle Technology and a fully pressurized housing for longer service life and better system

#### **Enhanced Service Life**

We pressurize the entire Rotary Joint, including the slip ring package, significantly extending service life by keeping out contaminants and moisture.

#### **Enhanced S-Band Channel**

As part of the TIGAR upgrade, we have implemented a more robust high-power S-Band channel. Our design exceeds the power requirement by a significant margin.

#### Mode S and Mode 5 Support

An added L-band circuit allows for the seamless integration of Mode S and Mode 5 to your system.

#### **Fiber Bundle Technology**

The fiber brush slip ring is a bundle of conductive micro-fibers that are arranged to maintain electrical contact with a rotating metal ring. As the ring spins, the fibers move and flex, allowing for continuous conductivity without the friction and wear that traditional slip ring contacts experience. Fiber brush slip rings also have several other advantages over conventional slip ring contacts, including: low contact force per fiber, low noise, and low electrical and contact wear rates. The fiber brush slip rings do not require lubrication and produce virtually no wear debris.

#### **Fiber Optic Channel**

We have added a fiber optic channel to the Rotary Joint to support future highbandwidth technology advancements and decrease susceptibility to electromagnetic interference and data loss.

#### **Slip Ring Power Capacity**

We have doubled the capacity of the power slip ring to support future technology advancements. This works in conjunction with the Fiber Optic Channel, allowing for upgrades and reducing Rotary Joint obsolescence risk.

#### IFF

The TSS Solutions IFF Mode 5 and Mode S upgrade incorporates AN/UPX-44A, which is the first IFF interrogator to achieve the more stringent test requirements of the new "B" level AIMS certification. The first AN/UPX-44A IFF production system has been delivered to JASDF U.S. The AN/UPX-44A is DoD AIMS program office certified. The TSS IFF upgrade requires the capabilities of the TSS Rotary Joint and makes antenna system modifications to support Mode 5 and Mode S.



The advanced features of TSS Solutions' TIGAR rival even those of top-of-the-line Radar surveillance systems at a fraction of the cost. The **TIGAR upgrade also** extends system life and delivers superior performance in several key areas, such as range resolution and small target detection.

#### **ARRAY SIGNAL AMPLIFIERS**

TSS Solutions' Array Signal Amplifiers (ASA's) increase antenna gain while lowering the noise floor.

#### **Solid-State Receiver Protection**

TSS ASA's incorporate Solid-State Receiver Protection, which helps compensate for degrading gas tube protectors in the waveguide system and provides a test signal input. This gives the Radar extensive control of the video processor tracker, working on a higher signal amplitude above the inherent noise floor.

#### **Enhanced Processing**

The design works in conjunction with modern high-performance TSS IF receivers, allowing additional processing after detection and throughput to the new TSS video processor.

#### **PROCESSOR TRACKER**

Our video tracker software adds multiple video post-processing enhancements to the display system, allowing the operator to deal with clutter areas in the environment of the sited radar.

#### **DATA DELIVERY**

All tracked and untracked videos are output from the video processor as ASTERIX Ethernet signals in CAT-240 and CAT-48. Data delivery via Ethernet. The upgrade delivers full Radar remote capability (except for power up/down) for transmitter, processor, display, and IF.



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