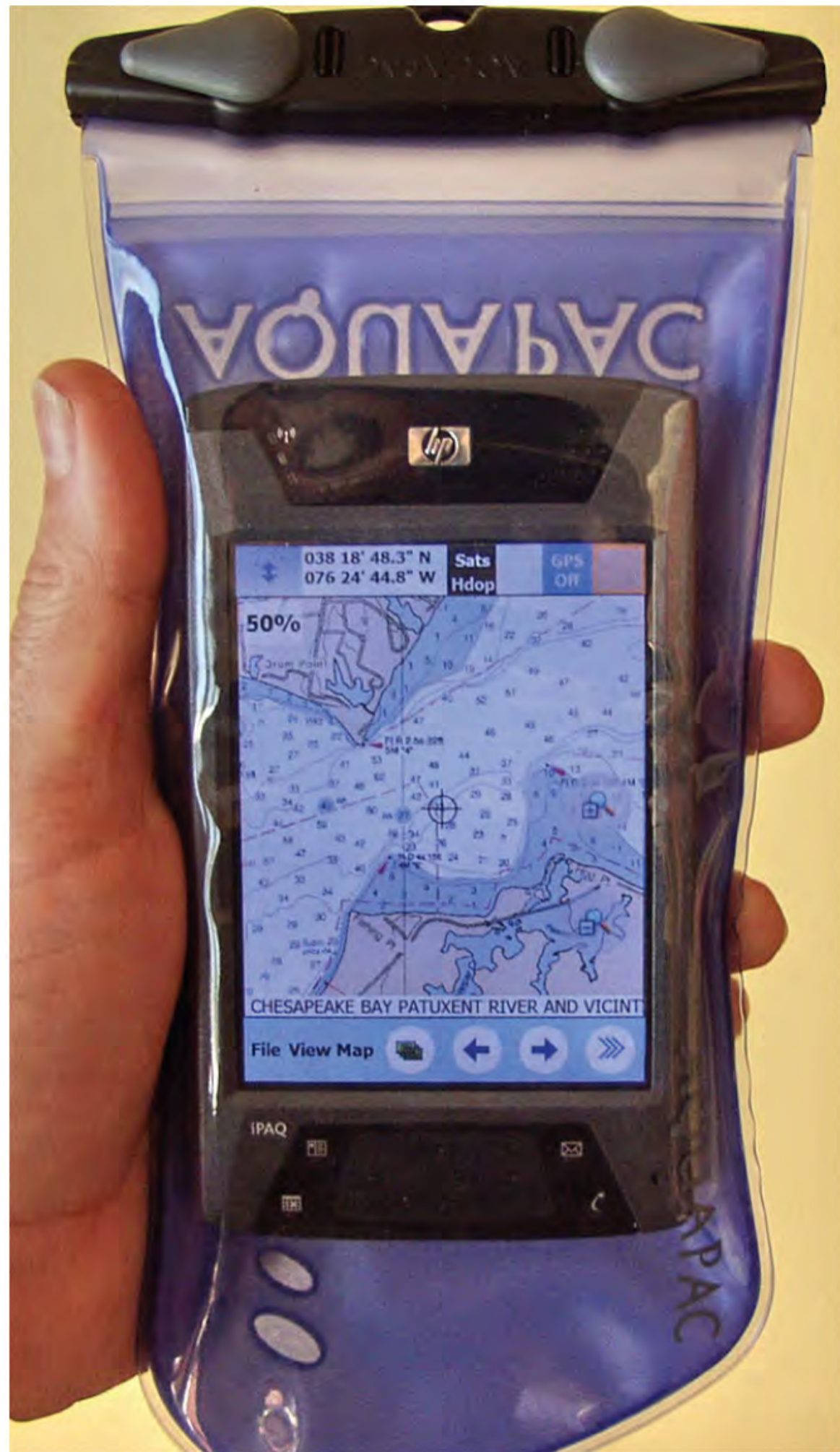


ACCESSORIES

Elemental Protection

For this test we also compared two cases designed specifically for these devices, the hard-case Otterbox 1900 Series PDA Case (\$100) and the soft plastic Aquapac Mini Waterproof Phone Case (\$30). The Otterbox's thin membrane face provided good access to the keys and touchscreen, and protected against hard knocks and water intrusion. Access to the keys and touchscreen was equally good with the Aquapac, and it was still small enough to fit in an average pocket. Both did a good job of preventing water intrusion. The Otterbox affords better damage protection, but it requires a fairly large pocket to hold it. For regular onboard use of a smart phone or PDA, some form of protection is a must.



*Aquapac with
IPAQ HX4705*



*Otterbox 1900
with HTC Touch HD*