Lockheed Martin Terminal System Operational Ahead Of Schedule At New York, Washington National And Dallas/Fort Worth

Lockheed Martin announced today that the high-performance color display system, known as the Automated Radar Terminal System (ARTS) Color Display (ACD), is operational at the New York, Dallas/Fort Worth and Washington National Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) facilities. The ACD replaces 15-to-30 year old monochrome radar displays with modern cutting-edge technology that will enhance safety and efficiency by providing controllers with significant improvements in the recognition of weather, track data, and, most importantly, safety alerts.

Thirteen of the new workstations were installed at Dallas/Fort Worth and put into operational use over the weekend of October 15. Washington National installed all 18 of their workstations on the evening of October 6 and went into service in the early morning hours of October 7. New York started using the ACD on August 12 and is in the process of replacing all 56 of their older displays. New York has completed installation of 45 displays and expects to complete installation of the remaining 11 ACDs later this month.

Don Antonucci, President of Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management, commented, "This new capability will help the FAA meet the demands of increasing traffic volumes while retaining high levels of safety. The Dallas/Fort Worth, Washington and New York installations are significant because once again Lockheed Martin has delivered on our commitment to help the FAA modernize the air traffic control system. The ACD joins the success of Display Channel Complex Rehost (DCCR), Display System Replacement (DSR), Host and Oceanic Computer System Replacement (HOCSR) and Common ARTS, all FAA programs that Lockheed Martin delivered on or ahead of schedule."

The ACD is a modern air traffic control workstation incorporating commercial open-systems technology. Under a $36.9 million contract awarded in May 1999, Lockheed Martin is upgrading displays at many of the FAA's busiest facilities. In addition to New York, Washington National and Dallas/Fort Worth, the ACD also is being installed at Atlanta, Northern California, and Potomac TRACONS.

Sue Corcoran, Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management Vice President, North American Programs, commented, "The successful delivery of the ARTS Color Display to Dallas/Fort Worth, Washington and New York continues our track record of on-time and under-budget performance. The ACD was designed for use in the FAA's most demanding environments. The New York TRACON, for example, serves perhaps the most complex airspace in the world, with three major airports, LaGuardia, Kennedy, and Newark, within 17 miles of each other."

A leader in airspace management solutions, Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management customers currently include the FAA and international civil aviation authorities in the United Kingdom, Germany, Korea, the People's Republic of China and Argentina. Lockheed Martin Air Traffic Management employs approximately 1,300 people at major facilities in Rockville, Maryland, Atlantic City, New Jersey, Eagan, Minnesota, and Southampton, England.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, Lockheed Martin is a global enterprise principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture and integration of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation's core businesses are systems integration, space, aeronautics, and technology services.

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