

Lockheed Martin Awarded \$16 Million Contract To Continue U.S. Navy Consolidated Automated Support System Program

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Lockheed Martin has been awarded a \$16 million, 12-month, firm-fixed-price contract by the U.S. Navy for the Consolidated Automated Support System (CASS) maintenance support program through the Consolidated Service Pool (CSP). With options, the contract has a potential value of \$65 million over 44 months.

CSP is an innovative approach to providing and guaranteeing "end item" operational performance, accomplished through innovative "depot level" repair management, wholesale and retail spares, and on-site maintenance personnel.

Lockheed Martin was awarded its first CASS contract in May 1994. Under its current support contract with the U.S. Navy, awarded in 2000, Lockheed Martin will ensure the availability of CASS automatic test equipment for full-service contracts, supply Performance Based Logistics (PBL) for fleet customers and guarantee turnaround time for basic repair and return services customers.

"For nearly a decade, we have demonstrated to the U.S. Navy that we are committed to serving their needs, first by developing the CASS program, and secondly by continuing to provide the excellent support they have come to expect," said Dan Crowley, Lockheed Martin Simulation, Training & Support president. "With CASS CSP PBL, we have developed a range of cost-effective solutions by leveraging existing infrastructure, developing new technology and improving the business process."

A key discriminator in PBL is the Automated Depot Information System (ADIS), a state-of-the-art repair, overhaul and inventory management application developed and fielded by Lockheed Martin. It is currently being used on more than 25 government and commercial programs. ADIS is approved for use to monitor all customer property returned to Lockheed Martin for repair from receipt through repair and return to the customer.

"We provide the Navy with the ability to optimize and minimize the logistics support infrastructure and guarantee operational performance levels for equipment," said Dianne Connolly, CASS CSP program manager. "We are also able to significantly reduce the Navy's up-front investment in wholesale and retail spares and reduce infrastructure that result in savings of up to 70 percent over conventional Navy logistics support operations."

Through ADIS, Lockheed Martin provides a web-based capability to access material status, shipping status, transit visibility and performance data. The ADIS database is also used to monitor shipment dates, vendor repair and return time, and location after the asset is returned to inventory. Program oversight and guidance is accomplished through on-line electronic monitoring of requisition requirements, on-time deliveries, and overall performance.

Headquartered in Bethesda, MD, Lockheed Martin employs about 130,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture and integration of advanced technology systems, products and services.

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