Lockheed Martin Receives Orbus 1A Motors From ATK For Missile Defense Agency's Boost Vehicle-Plus Program

Lockheed Martin's Courtland, Ala., production facility has received the first two Orbus 1A motor assemblies from Alliant Techsystems for the Boost Vehicle-Plus program.

ATK shipped the assemblies for the second- and third-stage solid rocket motors from its Elkton, Md., facility. ATK will deliver another 14 Orbus 1A motor assemblies this year. With the Orbus 1A motors, Lockheed Martin will complete production of eight booster assemblies currently on contract to the Boeing Company.

The U.S. Missile Defense Agency's Boost Vehicle-Plus is one of two booster designs for Ground-based Midcourse Defense interceptors.

Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company is the Boost Vehicle-Plus subcontractor for Boeing, the Missile Defense Agency's Ground-based Midcourse Defense prime contractor. Lockheed Martin performs program management, engineering and production at its facilities in Denver, Colo., Sunnyvale, Calif., and Courtland, Ala. ATK also produces the GEM-40VN motor as the first stage for Boost Vehicle-Plus.

ATK is a $3.3 billion advanced weapon and space systems company employing approximately 15,000 people in 23 states. News and information can be found on the Internet at www.atk.com.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin employs about 135,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2005 sales of $37.2 billion.

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