

Lockheed Martin Receives \$18 Million For Low Cost Reduced-Range GMLRS Practice Rockets

Lockheed Martin has received an \$18 million contract for Low Cost Reduced-Range Practice Rockets (LCRRPR) for the Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System (GMLRS). The contract calls for the delivery of 4,350 practice rockets for Soldiers training to use GMLRS, for which the Army has declared an urgent in-theater need. Production on the contract will occur at the company's facility in Camden, AR.

"These affordable practice rockets enable our Soldiers to use realistic GMLRS munitions as they train, so when they are deployed and engage the enemy they will be able to fight as they trained," said Al Duchesne, Precision Guided Missiles program director at Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control. "GMLRS continues to perform exceptionally well in theater, and Lockheed Martin is pleased to help our Warfighters achieve their missions as effectively as possible."

The differences between the LCRRPR and the tactical rounds are that the LCRRPRs have only an 8- to 15-kilometer range, and do not carry live warheads. However, their size, shape and motor successfully emulate a real GMLRS rocket launch, providing a very realistic training experience. The LCRRPRs have no sensors or GPS package, so they cannot be used against real targets.

GMLRS supports the Army Transformation with increased overmatch capabilities and reduced logistics footprint over current free-flight rockets. The Guided MLRS Unitary integrates a 180-pound unitary warhead into the GMLRS rocket, giving battlefield commanders the ability to attack targets up to 70 kilometers away with high precision.

The battle-proven GMLRS is a multinational program with the United States, United Kingdom, Italy, France and Germany.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin employs about 140,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services.

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