Lockheed Martin To Upgrade Battle Management System For United States Air Force

Company to Upgrade Unit Level Command & Control Component

The U.S. Air Force Electronic System Center has selected Lockheed Martinto upgrade the U.S. Air Force flying unit command & control capability formerly under the Theater Battle Management Control System (TBMCS) contract. Under this contract, Lockheed Martin will provide users at more than 46 fixed and expeditionary bases with an improved suite of tools at the wing and squadron level. The effort will include design, development, test, certification, installation, integration, and sustainment. The total contract value, awarded via the NETCENTS contract vehicle, is approximately $9M, the initial contract award is $4M.

"Warfighters today need faster access to real-time operations and intelligence data, as well as planning and collaboration tools, for enhanced situational awareness and decision-making capabilities. Together with the Air Force we'll work to provide significant command & control advancements that increase warfighter effectiveness," said Gerry Fasano, vice president of C4ISR Solutions for Lockheed Martin's Mission & Combat Support Solutions.

Resident around the globe, the TBMCS unit command & control component allows staffs at airbases to coordinate air order taskings with the Air Operations Center and create a flying schedule. By interfacing with a number of external systems, it provides Wing and Base Commanders with decision quality information in near real-time, such as the status of their installation's vital capabilities and the tools to conduct command and control activities on their installation.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin employs about 140,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacturing, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The Corporation reported 2007 sales of $41.9 billion.

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