US Army Awards Lockheed Martin $36M Contract To Upgrade Battle Command System

Upgrade Will Provide Constant Access to Real-time Operations and Intelligence Data

Lockheed Martin announced today that it has been awarded an extension to continue developing portions of the Army Battle Command System for project manager Battle Command, located at Fort Monmouth, NJ. This mix of fixed/semi-fixed installations and mobile networks provides Army leaders at all levels with a virtual view of the battlefield-including real-time information on friendly and enemy forces. Lockheed Martin's work includes design, development, integration, test, training, and field service support. This follow-on contract is valued at $36M.

"These systems are being used in the battlefield continuously," said John Mengucci, president of Lockheed Martin's IS&GS Mission & Combat Support Solutions. "We are excited to continue assisting the Army on this mission-critical program." Mengucci added that additional work will ensure that access to real-time operations and intelligence data remains constant for the warfighter.

Rapid and reliable information networks are necessary to enable the Army to conduct decisive operations and sustain the force. As a 'system of systems,' the Army Battle Command System links 11 different systems. This includes systems that monitor its ability to station, control, equip, replenish, modernize, and train its forces in peacetime, while concurrently planning to mobilize, deploy, employ, and sustain them in war to accomplish assigned missions.

In addition to providing commanders with a current common operational picture, the Army Battle Command System tracks friendly forces, analyzes enemy situations, and provides battle planning, fire support coordination, and airspace coordination. Lockheed Martin has supported the system since 1994.

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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