Lockheed Martin To Offer Operations And Sustainment Capabilities For Ground-Based Midcourse Defense

Corporation's Experts Touring GMD Sites to Assess Future Needs

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Lockheed Martin announced today that it will offer its extensive capabilities to the U.S. Missile Defense Agency (MDA) in the competitive acquisition the agency intends to conduct for future operations and sustainment of the Ground-Based Midcourse Defense (GMD) system and associated support facilities.

"Lockheed Martin is committed to providing efficient and effective support to the MDA and the GMD program office for this crucial strategic defense mission," said Tory Bruno, vice president and general manager of Strategic and Missile Defense Systems, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company. "Lockheed Martin offers comprehensive capabilities to meet these future needs, including providing continuous support to the midcourse missile defense mission for more than 30 years."

As part of the MDA's acquisition planning process, Lockheed Martin missile defense experts are visiting four GMD sites - Huntsville, Ala., Fort Greely, Alaska, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., and Colorado Springs, Colo. - in March and April. Lockheed Martin will use the information gained in these visits to support the MDA's performance-based logistics acquisition.

Lockheed Martin is a world leader in systems integration and the development of air and missile defense systems and technologies, including the first operational hit-to-kill missile. The company makes significant contributions to most major U.S. missile defense systems and participates in several global missile defense partnerships.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 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 2008 sales of $42.7 billion.

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