Lockheed Martin Submits Phase B Proposal For Advanced Control Segment Of GPS

Continuous Innovation in GPS Navigation Accuracy, Integrity, and Mission Effects

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Lockheed Martin Corporation submitted its proposal to provide advanced navigation accuracy, integrity and mission effects solutions for the Global Positioning System (GPS) Advanced Control Segment (OCX) as a member of the Northrop Grumman OCX team. The proposal begins the final down-select phase of the program.

Lockheed Martin's domain experience enhances Northrop Grumman's standards-based open architecture control segment that will support the entire constellation of current and future GPS satellites. The OCX team's proposed Mission Processing solutions for the GPS Master Control Station leverage Lockheed Martin's proven performance as a leading GPS Control Segment provider since 1980. Lockheed Martin will improve system accuracy, integrity, continuity, and availability with the GPS IIA, IIR, IIR-M and IIF satellites. When augmented by the GPS IIIA satellite capabilities, being built by Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, the Global Positioning System will provide unprecedented continuous and improved service to worldwide military and civilian users.

"We are extremely proud to continue our support to the U.S. Air Force, the nation, and the GPS community as part of the Northrop Grumman GPS OCX team," said Bob Kramer, vice president of Space Solutions for Lockheed Martin IS&GS-Defense. "The Northrop Grumman team is well integrated and takes full advantage of each teammate's core competencies and innovations to provide an on-time, fully capable system that will usher in the next generation of GPS operations."

"Lockheed Martin has a wealth of capability across all facets of the Global Positioning System," said Dan Allen, sector vice president and general manager for Northrop Grumman's Intelligence Systems division. "For OCX Lockheed Martin offers new solutions and technologies along with their deep domain experience in the GPS navigation mission that translates directly into a significant battlefield advantage for American warfighters as well as better performance for worldwide commercial and civilian users."

Lockheed Martin joined the Northrop Grumman OCX team in 2008 and became a key player in the development of the OCX Modernized Capability Engineering Model demonstration.

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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