Lockheed Martin's Havoc 8x8 Completes Swim Tests In Marine Personnel Carrier Competition

DALLAS, April 3, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Lockheed Martin's (NYSE: LMT)Havoc 8x8, an eight-wheel-drive Armored Modular Vehicle, successfully completed amphibious testing as part of its evaluation for the Marine Personnel Carrier (MPC) competition.

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The trials in and near the surf at Marine Corps BaseCamp Pendleton, Calif., were conducted with the vehicle loaded to its full combat weight. During the Camp Pendleton testing, Havoc demonstrated its resistance to water penetration while easily accommodating a full complement of Marine Corps battle gear for the crew.

"The Havoc 8x8 showed its ability to negotiate all surf and wave conditions required bythe United States Marine Corps," said Scott Greene, vice president of Ground Vehicles for Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control. "The vehicle maintained 100 percent operational readiness throughout the test."

Lockheed Martin leads a team that includes industrial partner Patria Land Systems. Havoc is a multi-mission, expeditionary ground combat vehicle that is an evolution of the Patria 8x8 Armored Modular Vehicle, a battle-tested design used by armed forces globally. Its configuration allows for a wide range of weapons, sensor and communications options to address evolving mission requirements. Employing the baseline architecture of the Patria vehicle, Havoc features exceptional mobility and transportability, and can protect its crew against a variety of extreme threats.

Havoc's designed-in supportability combined with Lockheed Martin's award-winning experience in managing performance-based logistics programs for ground platforms enables increased system readiness and lower ownership costs. Lockheed Martin's total-system approach to vehicle missionization reduces crew workload and ensures troops remain connected on the battlefield.

For more than three decades, Lockheed Martin has applied its systems-integration expertise to a wide range of successful ground vehicles for U.S. and allied forces worldwide. The company's products include the combat-proven Multiple Launch Rocket System M270-series and High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) mobile launchers, Havoc 8x8, Common Vehicle, Light Armored Vehicle-Command and Control, Warrior Capability Sustainment Programme, Joint Light Tactical Vehicle and pioneering autonomous platforms, such as the Squad Mission Support System.

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