2014 Secretary Of Defense PBL Award Goes To Sniper Advanced Targeting Pod Team

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ORLANDO, Fla., Nov. 18, 2014 / PRNewswire/ -- The Office of the Secretary of Defense awarded the U.S. Air Force and Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) Sniper Advanced Targeting Pod (ATP) team the 2014 Performance-Based Logistics (PBL) Award, which recognizes outstanding achievements in providing operational support to warfighters.

The team received the subsystem PBL award, which is one of three PBL awards presented annually to government/industry teams. Team members include individuals from the Precision Attack System Program Office at Robins Air Force Base, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex and Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control, who together provide critical support for more than 350 Sniper ATPs worldwide.

"The Sniper ATP PBL program ensures that pod availability and reliability rates are maintained at the highest levels while sustainment costs are reduced," said Ken Fuhr, fixed wing program director at Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control. "Our strong partnership with Robins Air Force Base enables us to support warfighters' mission success, which is our primary focus."

The Sniper ATP PBL team manages a variety of sustainment efforts, including maintenance, repairs and obsolescence. Over a 15-month period, team members maintained an operational availability rate 14 percent greater than contract requirement, which allowed them to provide an average of 50 additional Sniper ATPs to warfighters.

Sniper ATP provides pilots with high-resolution imagery for precision targeting and non-traditional intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance missions. In use by the U.S. Air Force and 16 countries, Sniper ATP is interoperable across multiple platforms, including U.S. Air Force and multi-national F-15, F-16, F-18, A-10, B-1 and B-52 aircraft.

Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control is a four-time recipient of the Secretary of Defense PBL Award. Past programs recognized include the <u>Modernized Target Acquisition Designation Sight/Pilot Night Vision Sensor</u> and <u>High Mobility Artillery Rocket System</u>.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs approximately 113,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The Corporation's net sales for 2013 were \$45.4 billion.

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