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Acting Under Secretary of the Air Force Lisa Disbrow and Top Government Space Officials Visit Northrop Grumman Facility

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REDONDO BEACH, Calif., Aug. 20, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Acting Under Secretary of the Air Force, Lisa S. Disbrow, and top Department of Defense space officials met with Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) leadership at the company's Space Park facility Thursday. Their tour follows discussions held at Space Park last week during a visit by Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James and Lt. Gen. Samuel Greaves, commander of the Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center.



Thursday's visit featured a tour of Northrop Grumman's work on key Air Force space programs, including the Advanced Extremely High Frequency System (AEHF), Global Positioning System III (GPS III) and the Low Cost Terminal (LCT).

Joining Under Secretary Disbrow at Northrop Grumman were Assistant Secretary of Defense (Acquisition), Katrina McFarland; Deputy Undersecretary of the Air Force (Space), Winston Beauchamp; Director, Air Force Future Operations, Maj. Gen. Martin Whelan; Director, Air Force Space Programs, Maj. Gen. Roger Teague; and Vice Commander, Air Force Space & Missile Systems Center, Maj. Gen. Robert McMurry.

"As a nation we face significant new threats in new domains. Northrop Grumman is committed to helping the Department of Defense address these threats with highly innovative, capable and affordable solutions," said Jeff Grant, vice president and general manager, Space Systems, Northrop Grumman. "I thank Under Secretary Disbrow, Ms. McFarland and the rest of this distinguished group of leaders for taking time to discuss the unique approaches our team is developing."

The visit included a discussion of Northrop Grumman's approach to GPS III that would enhance the program's ability to improve critical warfighter resilience. Also featured were Northrop Grumman's AEHF and Enhanced Polar System (EPS) payload programs and the EHF LCT. As the implementation of these elements is completed, they enable critical nuclear command and control for the country's strategic forces and protected tactical communications for our nation's warfighters in contested environments.

"It is imperative we continue on the path defined by AEHF, EPS LCT and a modern GPS payload to address the evolving threats to our warfighters and our space assets," Grant said.

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