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L-3 VERTEX AEROSPACE AWARDED \$1 BILLION SUBCONTRACT FROM RAYTHEON AIRCRAFT COMPANY FOR THE U.S. AIR FORCE JOINT PRIMARY AIRCRAFT TRAINING SYSTEM (JPATS)

MADISON, Miss. (January 12, 2006) - L-3 Communications' Vertex Aerospace division (L-3 Vertex) has been awarded a 10-year, indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity (ID/IQ) subcontract to provide Contractor Operated and Maintained Base Supply (COMBS) service for the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Navy Joint Primary Aircraft Training System (JPATS) T-6A aircraft program. The subcontract was awarded by Raytheon Aircraft Company for a total projected value of \$1 billion through 2015.

"This affirms the great relationship between L-3 Vertex, Raytheon Aircraft and the U.S. Air Force and Navy," said Dan Grafton, L-3 Vertex president. "We are extremely proud to provide comprehensive supply support, a vital link in the T-6A primary training solution for U.S. Armed Services aviation," he said.

The JPATS program calls for a total of nearly 800 aircraft to be delivered through 2015, of which 283 are already in service. L-3 Vertex T-6A COMBS provides complete material inventory management and control, including the procurement, transport, storage and issue of all aircraft parts, support equipment and engines.

L-3 Vertex currently provides COMBS support for JPATS and the T-6A aircraft at six base locations, including Randolph Air Force Base (AFB), Texas; Moody AFB, Ga., Laughlin AFB, Texas; Vance AFB, Okla.; Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, Fla. and NAS Patuxent River, Md. Eventually, four additional bases will operate the T-6A including Columbus AFB, Miss., Sheppard AFB, Texas; NAS Whiting Field, Fla. and NAS Corpus Christi, Texas. The JPATS COMBS program is administrated from the L-3 Vertex headquarters in Madison, Mississippi.

L-3 Vertex has served as incumbent contractor for T-6A COMBS since the JPATS program introduction in 1996. Through separate government contracts, the company also provides all scheduled and unscheduled aircraft maintenance for the T-6A at Moody AFB and NAS Pensacola, as well as support for other Raytheon/Beech Aircraft-built government aircraft and systems including the T-34, T-44, T-1 and C-12.

L-3 Vertex Aerospace provides aviation and other aerospace technical services, primarily to government customers. The company has nearly 12,000 employees working from 300 locations worldwide. L-3 Vertex is a subsidiary of L-3's Integrated Systems division.

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