

Kratos Receives Contract Award to Support Northrop Grumman in U.S. Air Force Ground Based Strategic Deterrent (GBSD) Program

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SAN DIEGO, Sept. 08, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ:KTOS), a leading National Security Solutions provider, announced today that its Command, Control, Communications, Computing, Combat & Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C5ISR) Division has been awarded a contract to support the U.S. Air Force's Ground Based Strategic Deterrent (GBSD) program as part of the team led by Northrop Grumman.

Northrop Grumman was selected by the U.S. Air Force to modernize the nation's aging intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) system under a contract awarded today for the engineering and manufacturing development (EMD) phase of the GBSD program. For the program, Kratos will provide engineering services, the manufacture and production of specialized ground support systems, including highly complex missile transporters and payload transporters.

Tom Mills, President of Kratos C5ISR Division, said, "We have been preparing for over a year and are ready to deliver on our commitments to our partner Northrop Grumman and the U.S. Air Force for a successful EMD phase. The entire Kratos team is proud to have a critical role in this national security program."

The Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center announced that the effort will span 8.5 years and include weapon system design, qualification, test and evaluation and nuclear certification. Upon successful completion of EMD, the Northrop Grumman team will begin producing and delivering a modern and fully integrated weapon system to meet the Air Force schedule of initial operational capability by 2029.

The EMD award follows a highly successful three-year technology maturation and risk reduction (TMRR) phase-one effort under the GBSD competition. The Northrop Grumman team, which includes Kratos and other defense contractors, has demonstrated innovation and agility by applying a digital engineering approach and has achieved all TMRR design review milestones on time and on cost.

Kratos C5ISR Division is a leading provider of products, hardware, systems and subsystems in support of unmanned aerial vehicle, high powered directed energy, missiles, missile defense, radar, surface combatant and other combat and weapon systems and programs. Work under this recent contract award will be performed at Kratos' secure production facility in York, Pennsylvania.

About Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc.

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