Kratos Completes Preliminary Design Review for Space Development Agency's Advanced Fire Control Ground Integration (AFCGI) System

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Managed Complex Ground Integration Program of Critical Systems with Diverse Partners

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 29, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (Nasdaq: KTOS), a technology company in Defense, National Security and Global Markets, has successfully completed the Preliminary Design Review (PDR) for the Space Development Agency's Advanced Fire Control Ground Integration (AFCGI) system. Kratos' successful completion of the PDR with zero liens allows the program to advance on an accelerated timeline, aligning with projected launch milestones.

As previously announced, in 2024 Kratos secured a $116.7 million prime contract for the AFCGI program. AFCGI integrates advanced software, resilient ground systems and secure networks into a unified architecture for real-time fire control. It is a complex capability providing the warfighter with immediate, mission-relevant advantages. Achieving zero liens signifies that all design challenges, risks and outstanding items identified during the review for this program were thoroughly addressed and resolved, ensuring no lingering issues remain that could impede the project's progress. Kratos completed the PDR in April of 2025, only five months from the award date.

Greg Caicedo, Senior Vice President of Kratos Space, said, "Kratos is leading this strategic and complex program with our industry partners to meet SDA's demand for speed. An advanced software-enabled approach delivered on aggressive timelines enables rapid adaptation and readiness far beyond what legacy hardware-centric systems can achieve."

Kratos, along with its diverse team, will deliver and manage ground segment resources, operate a government-owned, contractor-operated (GOCO) demonstration center and run a secure cloud environment for mission software and partner system integration. Kratos will also provide program management, engineering, integration, testing and operations for the entire ground structure. Through its OpenSpace® platform, Kratos is integrating virtualized ground functions with advanced orchestration and automation, allowing software-defined scalability to support the complex demands of the program.

About Kratos Defense & Security Solutions

Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ: KTOS) is a technology, products, system and software company addressing the defense, national security, and commercial markets. Kratos makes true internally funded research, development, capital and other investments, to rapidly develop, produce and field solutions that address our customers' mission critical needs and requirements. At Kratos, affordability is a technology, and we seek to utilize proven, leading-edge approaches and technology, not unproven bleeding edge approaches or technology, with Kratos' approach designed to reduce cost, schedule and risk, enabling us to be first to market with cost effective solutions. We believe that Kratos is known as an innovative disruptive change agent in the industry, a company that is an expert in designing products and systems up front for successful rapid, large quantity, low-cost future manufacturing which is a value add competitive differentiator for our large traditional prime system integrator partners and also to our government and commercial customers. Kratos intends to pursue program and contract opportunities as the prime or lead contractor when we believe that our probability of win (PWin) is high and any investment required by Kratos is within our capital resource comfort level. We intend to partner and team with a large, traditional system integrator when our assessment of PWin is greater or required investment is beyond Kratos' comfort level. Kratos' primary business areas include virtualized ground systems for satellites and space vehicles including software for command & control (C2) and telemetry, tracking and control (TT&C), jet powered unmanned aerial drone systems, hypersonic vehicles and rocket systems, propulsion systems for drones, missiles, loitering munitions, supersonic systems, space craft and launch systems, C5ISR and microwave electronic products for missile, radar, missile defense, space, satellite, counter UAS, directed energy, communication and other systems, and virtual & augmented reality training systems for the warfighter.

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