



Curtiss-Wright Awarded Development Contract for Sikorsky CH-53K Helicopter

--To Supply Data Concentrator Units for Marine Corps' Heavy-lift Rotorcraft

PARSIPPANY, N.J., May 7, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation has awarded Curtiss-Wright Corporation (NYSE: CW) a contract to develop and supply data concentrator units for the CH-53K heavy-lift helicopter that is being developed for use by the U.S. Marine Corps. Sikorsky is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX).

"We are extremely pleased for the vote of confidence placed in Curtiss-Wright by Sikorsky Aircraft for this critical element of a very complex aircraft system," said Martin R. Benante, Curtiss-Wright Chairman and CEO. "The helicopter market continues to be a significant contributor to the growth of our core military aerospace business and has been a key factor in the robust organic sales growth of our integrated sensing products."

The contract has a total potential value of \$22 million when development and all aircraft production options and phases are completed. The initial contract runs through 2011 with the production phase starting in 2013.

Curtiss-Wright's system consists of two data concentrator units (DCUs) that will receive and provide various avionic and air vehicle discrete, digital and analog inputs for monitoring, processing data and controlling various CH-53K subsystem components.

Curtiss-Wright will develop and manufacture the DCU systems at its Motion Control segment City of Industry, CA, facility, which recently opened to accommodate the growth in demand for integrated sensing products.

The Sikorsky CH-53E Super Stallion (Sikorsky S-80E) is the largest and heaviest helicopter in the United States military. The CH-53K is expected to replace the CH-53E helicopters that the Marine Corps currently deploys from amphibious assault ships to transport personnel and equipment, and to carry external cargo loads. The CH-53K is designed to transport heavy payloads over longer distances and will significantly reduce operation and support costs. Sikorsky Aircraft Corp., based in Stratford, CT, is a world leader in helicopter design, manufacture and service. United Technologies Corp. provides a broad range of high technology products and support services to the aerospace and building systems industries.

About Curtiss-Wright

Curtiss-Wright Corporation is a diversified company headquartered in Parsippany, N.J. The company designs, manufactures and overhauls products for motion control and flow control applications, and provides a variety of specialized metal treatment services. The firm employs approximately 7,900 people worldwide. For more information about Curtiss-Wright visit www.curtisswright.com.

About Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc.

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Curtiss-Wright Controls is the motion control segment of Curtiss-Wright Corporation. With manufacturing facilities around the world, Curtiss-Wright Controls is a leading technology-based organization, providing niche motion control products, subsystems and services for the aerospace, defense, naval and industrial markets. For more information visit www.cwcontrols.com.

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