

## **Ball Aerospace Wins U.S. Air Force Contract to Support Distributed Common Ground System**

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DAYTON, Ohio, Nov. 10, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. has been awarded four task order contracts worth more than \$17 million to develop and integrate enhanced operational capabilities for the U.S. Air Force Distributed Common Ground System (DCGS).

Under the task orders, Ball Aerospace will spend 18 months integrating data streams from enhanced sensors on the Global Hawk and Predator Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) into the Air Force DCGS. This work ensures the data from the newest UAV sensors can be fully exploited to meet critical warfighter needs.

"To improve effectiveness in the field and assist in keeping military personnel safe, Ball Aerospace is providing new net-centric situational awareness, radar, moving target indicators, and spectral capabilities for the intelligence community and the war fighter," said Dan Gibson, vice president and general manager of Ball's Systems Engineering Solutions business unit.

The wins expand Ball's current offerings through the Advanced Technical Exploitation Program (ATEP) contract for the National Air and Space Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. ATEP continues Ball Aerospace's prime contractor role since 1983 in providing NASIC with Measurement and Signature Intelligence and Advanced Geospatial Intelligence (MASINT/AGI) solutions to meet requirements for DOD and the intelligence community.

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