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Redwire Wins Follow-on Contract to Deliver Third Mako Spacecraft for U.S. Space Force

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Redwire Corporation (NYSE: RDW), a leader in space infrastructure for the next generation space economy, announced today it has been awarded a contract by Orion Space Solutions to deliver a Mako spacecraft to support Tetra-6, a U.S. Space Force (USSF) Space Systems Command (SSC) mission.

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Redwire is leveraging its Mako spacecraft platform for the U.S. Space Force's Tetra-6 mission. (Photo: Redwire Corporation)

The Tetra-6 mission is a follow-on contract to the USSF/Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Tetra-5 mission, for which Redwire is delivering two Mako spacecraft. The Mako spacecraft for the Tetra-5 and Tetra-6 missions will be the first satellite in geosynchronous orbit (GEO) to be refueled and demonstrate compatibility with multiple available refueling mechanisms.

Tetra-5 will demonstrate key capabilities such as cooperative and prepared inspection, docking, on-orbit refueling, proximity operations, and next-generation autonomy techniques that will help to enable future on-orbit servicing capabilities, spacecraft autonomy, and sustained space maneuver. Tetra-6 will enable the USSF to demonstrate additional technological capabilities.

“Redwire now offers spacecraft platforms for missions in every orbit, from very low-Earth orbit to low-Earth orbit, geosynchronous orbit, and beyond,” said Peter Cannito, Redwire Chairman and CEO. “These platforms represent a critical capability for national security missions. By delivering versatile, cost-effective, and reliable spacecraft solutions, Redwire helps to ensure that our nation and its allies are equipped to address emerging challenges and protect vital interests in space.”

Redwire now offers five spacecraft platforms: Mako, Thresher, Hammerhead, SabreSat, and Phantom. As a trusted national security supplier, Redwire is building Mako, Thresher, and SabreSat spacecraft for multiple U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) customers, including missions for the USSF and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). Hammerhead and Phantom are being used by the European Space Agency (ESA) for cutting-edge exploration and technology demonstration missions, including Proba-1, -2, and –V, which are currently on-orbit, and Proba-3, which launched in December 2024.

About Redwire

Redwire Corporation (NYSE: RDW) is a global space infrastructure and innovation company enabling civil, commercial, and national security programs. Redwire's proven and reliable capabilities include avionics, sensors, power solutions, critical structures, mechanisms, radio frequency systems, platforms, missions, and microgravity payloads. Redwire combines decades of flight heritage and proven experience with an agile and innovative culture. Redwire's approximately 700 employees working from 17 facilities located throughout the United States and Europe are committed to building a bold future in space for humanity, pushing the envelope of discovery and science while creating a better world on Earth. For more information, please visit redwirespace.com.

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