Teledyne to Build Navy's Surface-to-Surface Missile Modules for LCS

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. – Teledyne Technologies Inc.'s subsidiary, Teledyne Brown Engineering Inc., was awarded a $6 million contract from Northrop Grumman Corp. to manufacture the first production unit of the Surface-to-Surface Missile Module (SSMM) for the U.S. Navy's littoral combat ship (LCS), the company said in a July 13 release.

Teledyne Brown Engineering will manufacture, assemble and test the SSMM at the company's main facility in Huntsville, Alabama. The company will then integrate launch-control assemblies along with other equipment into the modules. Teledyne Brown Engineering, along with Northrop Grumman and the Navy, will validate the system using SSMM-specific software and emulators. The company will then perform Factory Acceptance Testing, leading to delivery of production units.

The SSMM is a modular weapons system, which fires Longbow Hellfire Missiles and compliments the Gun Mission Module (GMM), also manufactured by Teledyne Brown Engineering. Along with the GMM, the SSMM will provide additional capabilities to the LCS as part of the Surface Warfare Package. The SSMM is an integral part of the LCS' that are used for defense against swarming Fast Attack Craft/Fast Inshore Attack Craft (FAC/FIAC), counter-piracy, maritime interdiction, and security missions.

"This award is a testament to the successful collaboration between Teledyne Brown Engineering and Northrop Grumman," said Jan Hess, president of Teledyne Brown Engineering. "We have built and delivered 25 Gun Mission Modules, and we are proud

to be supporting the U.S. Navy’s efforts to enable a broader mission scope.”

This contract continues the decade long relationship between Northrop Grumman and Teledyne Brown Engineering supporting the LCS Mission Modules Design Engineering, Production and Sustainment program.