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XTAR SELECTED TO PROVIDE CONNECTIVITY TO U.S. NAVY UAS PROGRAM

Company to supply X-band satellite services for the continued testing of the MQ-4C Triton UAS

LEESBURG, Virginia (22 September 2022) – XTAR, LLC is pleased to announce that it has been selected by the U.S. Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) to supply X-band satellite bandwidth for the MQ-4C Triton UAS. The blanket purchase agreement (BPA) consists of a one-year base with four one-year options.

The MQ-4C Triton is a remotely piloted aircraft (RPA) developed under the Navy's Persistent Maritime Unmanned Aircraft Systems program. Designed and manufactured by Northrop Grumman for the U.S. Navy, the MQ-4C is intended to provide real-time intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) in a maritime environment. Triton's communications payload is built to use X-band and military Ka-band frequencies.

"XTAR's fleet is ideally suited for airborne ISR applications," explains Jay Icard, President & CEO at XTAR. "Our on-demand, non-preemptable X-band services are fully compatible with the DoD's existing WGS terminals. The BPA provides the Navy with a convenient and flexible contract mechanism that allows it to fly missions and perform testing that aligns with Triton's operations tempo."

ABOUT XTAR

XTAR, LLC, is the world's first commercial provider of X-band satellite communications bandwidth and services. Established in the United States in 2001, entirely on private capital, XTAR provides government and military users with reliable, cost-effective, and highly-responsive satellite services on military X-band frequencies. XTAR has been providing the U.S. Government, U.S. DoD and Allied Governments with X-band capacity since 2005. XTAR operates two on-orbit GEO payloads: XTAR-EUR at 29.0° East and XTAR-LANT at 30.0° West. Both provide X-band frequency bandwidth totaling 1.44 GHz of fully WGS-compatible capacity, and both have supported U.S. military SATCOM needs across multiple warfighting domains.

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