

Curtiss-Wright Names Albert E. Smith to Board of Directors

ROSELAND, N.J., May 8 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Curtiss-Wright Corporation (NYSE: CW) announced today that Albert E. Smith has been named to its Board of Directors. A former executive vice president and officer of Lockheed Martin Corporation, Mr. Smith currently serves as Chairman of Tetra Tech. Inc., a resource management company located in Pasadena. California.

"Al represents an impressive and welcome addition to our Board of Directors," commented Martin R. Benante, Chairman and CEO of Curtiss-Wright Corporation. "It is reassuring to know that we will have the benefit of his exceptional business experience and leadership as we continue to position Curtiss-Wright for the future."

Mr. Smith brings an impressive array of aerospace industry experience to the Board of Directors of Curtiss-Wright. At Lockheed, he attained some of the highest levels of leadership, which included a four-year tenure as Executive Vice President of Lockheed Martin Space Systems, leading the company's renowned space, launch vehicle and ground systems.

Mr. Smith began his career with the CIA in 1972 where he received the Intelligence Medal of Merit. He joined Lockheed Martin Corporation in 1985 as Director of Communications Systems Engineering in the company's Space Systems Division. During the following 10 years, Mr. Smith advanced through various leadership positions, including serving as Vice President of the MILSTAR program, and President of the Space Systems Division. After spending two years with Harris Corporation as President of their Electronics business, Mr. Smith rejoined Lockheed Martin. He also served as President and Chairman of Lockheed Khrunichev Energia, a Proton rocket joint venture with Russian industry.

Mr. Smith earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Northeastern University and completed executive education programs at Dartmouth College and Stanford University. In addition to serving on the Board of Trustees for Aerospace Corporation, Mr. Smith heads the Corporation's audit committee. He is a former American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Senior Member, and also served on the Defense Science Board from 2002 through 2005.

About Curtiss-Wright

Curtiss-Wright Corporation is a diversified company headquartered in Roseland, New Jersey. The company designs, manufactures and overhauls products for motion control and flow control applications, and provides a variety of metal treatment services. The firm employs approximately 6,000 people worldwide. More information on Curtiss-Wright can be found on the Internet at www.curtisswright.com.

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