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Ridgetop Group to Develop an Innovative Troubleshooting and Repair System for Air Force Electronic Warfare Systems

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Ridgetop Group, Inc. announced that it was awarded a contract by the U.S. Air Force Warner Robins Air Logistics Center (WR-ALC) for the development of an "Expert Troubleshooting and Repair System for Electronic Warfare (EW)." This contract was awarded under a Phase II Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, and extends over a two-year performance period.

Ridgetop's innovation will support troubleshooting and provide recommended repair actions for EW equipment at maintenance depots. This troubleshooting system will help reduce costly "could not duplicate" (CND) repair problems, a reduction in mean-time-to-repair (MTTR) rates, and an increase in mean time-between-maintenance events (MTBME). This proactive maintenance will translate into reliability increases and cost savings for the Air Force maintenance depots. Sonia Vohnout, Director of Ridgetop's Advanced Diagnostics & Prognostics Division, said "Ridgetop Group is pleased to receive this contract, which is based on the success of our Phase I performance and builds on our prior experience in addressing complex product support issues. This demonstrates that Ridgetop's capabilities and innovative solutions accurately address the needs of our customer [U.S Air Force WR-ALC] by improving equipment troubleshooting capability and reducing overall support costs. Our advanced troubleshooting system provides, for each service/shop replaceable unit (SRU), a prioritized list of maintenance tests and repair actions that is based on historical maintenance data, and will provide substantial savings in maintenance."

About Ridgetop Group

Established in 2000, Ridgetop Group is a Tucson, Arizona-based firm that produces electronic solutions for harsh environments and challenging applications. The firm is qualified as an aerospace supplier under its AS9100C certification, and became a Category 1A Trusted Supplier under the DoD's Trusted Foundry Program in 2010. A privately held firm, Ridgetop operates two divisions in Tucson and has a related firm, Ridgetop Europe nv, located in Europe near the European Space Agency facilities.

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