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# Curtiss-Wright Honored by Military & Aerospace Electronics 2016 Innovators Awards Program

Cost-effective upgrade solution for modernizing the turret drive and stabilization system on M60 and Challenger 1 main battle tanks recognized with Military & Aerospace Electronics 2016 Innovators Awards Program Gold Award

ASHBURN, Va. – NOVEMBER 15, 2016 – Curtiss-Wright's <u>Defense Solutions division</u> announced today that its <u>Electric Gun Turret Drive Upgrade Kit</u>, developed by its Drive Technology business unit, a leading supplier of <u>rugged</u>, <u>high reliability modular electromechanical aiming and stabilization solutions</u> located in Neuhausen am Rheinfall, Switzerland, was recognized by the judges of the annual Military & Aerospace Electronics Innovators Awards program. The judging panel consisted of a panel of senior third-party expert professionals.

"We are very proud to have been honored by Military & Aerospace Electronics magazine with their 2016 Innovators Awards program's Gold Award in recognition of our Electric Gun Turret Drive Upgrade Kit," said Lynn Bamford, Senior Vice President and General Manager, Defense Solutions division.

Curtiss-Wright was honored with a Gold award for its cost-effective upgrade solution for modernizing the turret drive and stabilization system on M60 and Challenger 1 main battle tanks (MBT). Curtiss-Wright's Electric Gun Turret Drive Upgrade Kit replaces older, less accurate hydraulic and hybrid-based turret stabilization systems on the M60 and Challenger 1 with a state-of-the art full electro-mechanical drive. The system provides for a lighter and safer turret that is able to rotate faster and accurately fire while the tank is on the move. Curtiss-Wright has delivered the Electric Gun Turret Drive Upgrade Kit to Raytheon Company, and supported its integration into both the M60 and CHALLENGER 1, resulting in successful live fire testing of the upgraded tanks.

Alan Bergstein, publisher of Military & Aerospace Electronics (<a href="www.militaryaerospace.com">www.militaryaerospace.com</a>), said "This prestigious program allows Military & Aerospace Electronics to celebrate and recognize the most innovative products and services in the military electronics industry. Our 2016 Honorees are an outstanding example of companies who are making an impact."

The Innovators Awards are judged based on the following criteria:

- Innovation
- Value to the User
- Sustainability
- Meeting a Defined Need
- Collaboration
- Impact

The 2016 Military & Aerospace Electronics Innovators Awards Honorees are featured in the November Issue of Military & Aerospace Electronics magazine as well as on <a href="https://www.militaryaerospace.com">www.militaryaerospace.com</a>.

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### About The Military & Aerospace Electronics 2016 Innovators Awards program

The Military & Aerospace Electronics Innovation Awards celebrates the most innovative applications of aerospace and defense electronics technology products and systems. Awards are presented to organizations that demonstrate excellence in the use of a product or system. Submissions are accepted from designers and integrators, and users of military and aerospace electronics systems.

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#### **About Curtiss-Wright Drive Technology**

Curtiss-Wright Drive Technology is part of the Curtiss-Wright Defense Solutions Division and has been a global leader in the development and manufacturing of electromechanical systems used in defense industry for over 60 years, providing comprehensive solutions for all customer requirements as well as cost-effective options through the use of standard products. This means we have a solution for any size program. Our core competency is the development of customized drive solutions through customer partnerships. Following the V-Model for system development guarantees well-defined processes, and leads to the success of large, complex projects using state of the art methodologies. As a Swiss company, quality, reliability, and environmental protection are the foundation of our business. High quality standards are met through use of sophisticated test equipment, centralized quality and lean management, compliance to the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances directive (RoHS) and

the regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), and model based software development in accordance with EN 61508. Curtiss-Wright Drive Technology is certified according to ISO 9001:2008.

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