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**Quintron Provides DICES Mission Voice System for  
First ULA Atlas V Rocket Launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base**

Santa Maria, CA (March 18, 2008) - Quintron Systems, Inc. ([www.quintron.com](http://www.quintron.com)), the recognized leader in advanced interoperable voice systems and physical access control/intrusion detection systems, is pleased to announce their participation in the successful launch of the first United Launch Alliance (ULA) Atlas V rocket from Space Launch Complex 3 (SLC-3) at Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB) on March 13th. Quintron provided a DICES mission voice system to the previous Atlas launch operations from SLC-3 in 1997, comprised of two physical switches. One was installed for launch pad operations with a second for the Remote Launch Control Center (RLCC) located approx. 16 miles from SLC-3.

Following the selection of DICES for Atlas V launch support from Cape Canaveral in 2000, Lockheed Martin took over the earlier DICES equipment still in place at SLC-3 from Atlas 3 operational period as the baseline for upcoming Atlas V launches from VAFB. Starting in 2004, significant upgrades and enhancements were introduced to both the SLC-3 and RLCC DICES systems, including a completely new communications package on the launch tower itself. This was required to provide improvements needed for hazardous operations inherent in the Atlas V rocket.

“Lockheed Martin, and now United Launch Alliance, has been an excellent customer for Quintron over the years,” said David Wilhite, Vice President and General Manager at Quintron. “We are extremely pleased to provide our contribution to this first launch of the Atlas V from Vandenberg. It is another link in the chain of success Quintron has experienced in this regard for over thirty years.”

The Atlas V is the latest in a family of launch vehicles stretching back fifty years, providing support for American defense and space exploration missions in numerous programs. The payload for this first VAFB Atlas V launch was a National Reconnaissance Office satellite.

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### **About United Launch Alliance**

Formed in 2006, ULA is the new joint venture organization created to provide reliable, cost-efficient spacecraft launch services for the U.S. government. ULA combines the successful Lockheed Martin Atlas expendable launch vehicle program and the Boeing Delta expendable launch vehicle program to offer U.S. government launch customers a wide variety of launch vehicle and payload accommodation options. U.S. government launch customers include the Department of Defense, NASA, the National Reconnaissance Office and other organizations. ULA program management, engineering, test and mission support functions are headquartered in Denver, Colo. Manufacturing, assembly and integration operations are located at Decatur, Ala. and Harlingen, Tex. Launch operations are located at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. and at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

### **About Quintron**

For over 38 years, Quintron has provided high technology and cost effective solutions to government and industry in support of mission critical communications and security requirements for command and control applications. No other company offers the depth of expertise found at Quintron in fault tolerant, interoperable communications, and security systems. In addition to providing advanced products and systems, Quintron's professional technical services capability provides a superior level of customer satisfaction. Quintron's engineering services provide off-the-shelf or customized engineering solutions to solve the toughest of challenges facing customers. Find out more about Quintron at [www.quintron.com](http://www.quintron.com) or by calling 805.928.4343.



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