



JLG parent gets second billion-dollar MRAP order

OSHKOSH, Wis., Monday, Aug. 3 -- The parent company of JLG Industries has received another order from the U.S. military for 1,700 Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles.

Oshkosh Corp is to deliver the \$1.06 billion order in February. It follows an initial order of \$1.05 billion for 2,244 MRAPs to be delivered through December.

JLG was expected to call back about 600 workers for the first part of the contract. Workers were also recalled to Oshkosh's four Defense plants to work on the project in Wisconsin. The company did not mention the impact on employment in its announcement Friday of the second contract.

The most recent contract also includes aftermarket parts packages for the all-terrain MRAPs to be supplied by April 2010, along with field service support.

"At Oshkosh, our main focus is to ensure that M-ATVs are waiting in theater for the warfighters when they arrive, rather than having the warfighter wait for the vehicle," said Robert G. Bohn, Oshkosh Corp chairman and chief executive officer. "We are confident in our ability to ramp up production to 1,000 per month in December and this additional order will allow us to sustain that rate of production through

February 2010."

Oshkosh also announced it surpassed its first delivery requirements for 45 vehicles in July.

"The target was 45 but we were able to deliver an additional vehicle," Bohn said. "It's an absolute testament to the quality and spirit of our customer, our employees and our suppliers who have come together to combine resources and work toward achieving a common mission - to serve our troops in Afghanistan."

Advance production of the M-ATV began weeks before the first delivery order was awarded. With a highly skilled workforce, decades of continuous production of tactical wheeled vehicles, robust manufacturing capabilities and available capacity, Oshkosh Defense expects to meet the government's accelerated M-ATV delivery schedule while fully maintaining all other existing and proposed military vehicle programs.

The contracts are with the U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command Life Cycle Management Command.

The Oshkosh M-ATV has a patented independent suspension system for a 70 percent off-road profile capability.

Oshkosh Defense teamed with Plasan North America to provide an advanced armor solution for the M-ATV. Plasan also developed the armor system used on more than 5,000 legacy MRAPs and thousands of Oshkosh armored cab MTRVs already in theater.

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