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Aerojet Rocketdyne's unparalleled power and propulsion expertise is enabling a new era of technologies to make a new reach possible.



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INNER PLANETS

EARTH SPACE SHUTTLE SPACE STATION E0-1 THEMIS VAN ALLEN PROBES

### ORION EARTH'S MOON

APOLLO LUNAR PROSPECTOR SMART-1 THEMIS

ASTEROIDS & COMETS LANDER/ORBITER DUOS

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DEEP SPACE-1

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### LANDERS & ROVERS

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# JUPITER

# VOYAGER 1 & 2

JUNO

VOYAGER 1 & 2 CASSINI

Aerojet Rocketdyne has propelled missions to explore every planet in the solar system and beyond



# **Powering the International Space Station**

The International Space Station is critical to scientific research and our ability to support future deep space missions. The station's continuous and reliable operation is made possible through Aerojet Rocketdyne's key contributions to its 100 kW Electric Power System (EPS) — including the batteries, and the power conditioning and distribution system.



# **Low-Earth Orbit Operations**

Aerojet Rocketdyne supports today's International Space Station cargo resupply missions by providing propulsion and helium tanks on Northrop Grumman's Cygnus spacecraft.

Aerojet Rocketdyne is also supporting **Boeing's Starliner** and **Sierra** Nevada's Dream Chaser © spacecraft to expand America's access to Low-Earth Orbit (LEO) and the Space Station.

**Dream Chaser** will have the ability to carry cargo to and from the International Space Station. Aerojet Rocketdyne will supply an electrical power and distribution system to power its avionics, thermal and propulsion systems, and any payloads requiring electrical power.

Starliner is a next generation spacecraft carrying humans to and from LEO destinations, including the Space Station. Aerojet Rocketdyne is providing propulsion to the crew and service modules, and the composite overwrap pressure vessels.



# A 21st century system designed to carry a mix of crew and cargo to LEO destinations

Aerojet Rocketdyne is helping to bring back the ability to launch U.S. astronauts from U.S. soil to the International Space Station and other Low-Earth Orbit destinations. Boeing's next-generation *Starliner* spacecraft relies upon Aerojet Rocketdyne's proven propulsion expertise to ensure astronauts and commercial passengers have safe, reliable access to Low-Earth Orbit.



# **Starliner**

12 Reusable Crew Module Engines: Used to orient the spacecraft during atmospheric re-entry, each providing 100 lbf.

# Starliner is powered by 64 Aerojet Rocketdyne Engines

20 Service Module Orbital Maneuvering and Attitude Control Engines:

Each generating 1,500 lbf for low-altitude abort, maneuvering and stage separation, high-altitude direct abort capability and large orbital maneuvers.

4 Launch Abort Engines: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Each providing 40,000 lbf to separate the service module and crew module from the rocket in the event of a launch or ascent anomoly.



### - 28 Service Module Reaction Control System Engines:

Each generating 100 lbf for on-orbit maneuvering and Space Station reboost.

# Safe, Reliable Access to Low-Earth Orbit





The Space Launch System (SLS) is the rocket that will lift humans and cargo to deep space and will allow greater science return from robotic planetary missions.

### **Key Features**

Greater Mass: Increased payload capacity = fewer launches; less complex operations = lower risk; overall reduced cost

**Larger Volume:** Larger payloads = additional instruments and greater science return

**Higher Velocity:** Transit to deep space destinations faster = reduced exposure to harsh space environment for crew and cargo

### Aerojet Rocketdyne's Role

Four RS-25 main engines power the SLS during its 8 ½ minute trip to orbit.

Four RL10 engines on the Exploration Upper Stage send payloads to deep space destinations.





# The Evolvable SLS Rocket



Orion is the world's first interplanetary spacecraft capable of taking crew to multiple deep space destinations and returning them safely to Earth.

# Orion



### **Key Features**

1000-Day Mission Capability:

crew of four; advanced life support systems; and a heat shield that withstands the extreme temperatures of reentry **Full Redundancy:** 

Backup capability for all major avionics and crew systems

### Safe Emergency

**Abort Capability:** 

Designed to protect the astronauts in unlikely event of launch vehicle anomoly

Providing maximum radiation protection for a

**Orion reentry** 





Orion's European Service







**Reaction Control System to** orient the spacecraft for splashdown

powers the spacecraft

European Service Module Auxiliary Engines maintain trajectory and position in space



# **Transportation of Cargo & Crew**

### **Cargo Transportation**

Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) enables efficient transfer of cargo, habitats and payloads to the Moon and Mars in advance of astronaut arrival.

### Modular

Pre-position:	Enables use for multiple missions and destinations
Efficient:	More than 50% of the mass required for Mars can be shipped with 25% reduction in launches
Reusable:	Tugs designed for multiple orbit refueling and transfers
Affordable:	60% reduction in launch cost over all-chemical solutions

### **Crew Transportation**

Chemical or Nuclear Thermal Propulsion (NTP) will be used to quickly transport astronaut crews to the surface of Mars and safely back to Earth.

### **Chemical Key Features**

Lowest Risk:	Mature technology
Commonality:	Between in-space, descent and ascent vehicles

### **NTP Key Features**

Fast Transit

Minimizing crew exposure to in-space radiation and microgravity Time: Flexible: Decreasing sensitivity to mission departure and return dates Safer: Increased abort options

# Efficient in-space transportation is the key to a sustainable architecture.

## Aerojet Rocketdyne's Role for In-Space Transportation

- Development of 50 kW power and propulsion SEP module
- SEP module for habitat power and propulsion capability demonstration
- Advanced approaches for NTP systems for moving crew and habitats from Earth to Mars and back
- Retro propulsion concepts for lander descent
- Surface power generation and management
- In-situ resource utilization approaches for Moon and Mars ascent vehicle propellant production
- Ascent propulsion concepts for crew return



# **Returning Humans to the Moon**



# **Lunar Orbiting Platform**

NASA's Gateway serves as a single stepping off point for human cislunar operations, lunar surface access and missions to Mars.

Together with the Space Launch System (SLS) and Orion, the Gateway is central to advancing and sustaining human space exploration goals, and is the foundational element for human cislunar operations and commerce, lunar surface access and missions to Mars.

Aerojet Rocketdyne is developing for NASA the Advanced Electric Propulsion System thrusters that will power the Power and Propulsion Element of the Gateway, and competing to provide further content in power management and distribution.





# **Descent and Ascent Propulsion**

# **Power and Mobility**





Aerojet Rocketdyne offers lander propulsion options in support of science and commercial activities on the lunar surface.

### RL10

Reliable, high performance 25,000 lbf thrust class engine throttleable over a wide range of thrust levels, making it highly suitable for ascent and descent.

### **ISE-100**

Generating up to 100 lbf, the ISE-100 has successfully demonstrated high-thrust, high-efficiency operation, making it ideal for future lunar lander missions.

### MR-107

After successfully landing Phoenix and InSight on Mars, the MR-107 is a proven lander engine with the ability to provide variable thrust up to 70 lbf.

As NASA and commercial partners begin to establish a lunar surface presence to explore, prospect, mine and utilize resources, Aerojet Rocketdyne stands ready to provide power and mobility solutions for robotic and human missions.

### **Kilopower System**

1-10 kilowatt small fission reactor to power multiple surface operations.

Multi-Mission Radioisotope Thermoelectric Generator (MMRTG) Used on the Curiosity and Mars 2020 rovers, the MMRTG offers 200-500 watts of power.

### **Electrical Power Systems (EPS)**

From the Space Station to the Dream Chaser, our heritage in EPS enables efficient power conversion, distribution and energy storage for lunar operations.

### Li-Ion Batteries

Our flight-proven battery system meets all NASA safety standards while providing a substantially lighter energy storage capability than traditional batteries.





Unique Aspects of Aerojet Rocketdyne's **Deep Space Architecture** 

- Cislunar Missions
- Human Missions to Lunar Surface
- Power and Propulsion Element for Lunar Gateway
- Entry Ramp for Nuclear Thermal Propulsion
- U.S. Leadership with Opportunities for International and Commercial Partnerships
- Accelerated Mission Cadence
- Human Missions to Mars Surface

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