



# Dream Chaser Rideshare

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# Company Overview

#### A DIFFERENTIATED SPACE LEADER

A top-tier vertically integrated space-tech company revolutionizing the space industry and disrupting terrestrial industrial markets.



#### EARTHSPACE SYSTEMS

Revolutionary spaceplane with global commercial runway access for spaceflight operations

First business-ready commercial space station to harness the foundational tech of microgravity



#### SPACE APPLICATIONS

Differentiated technology for critical satellite and spacecraft systems

Next generation defense prime in classified space

#### BY THE NUMBERS

\$4.3B

Active Contracts with >\$400M in National Security **70** 

Active Customers

\$1.7B

Series A & B (\$5.3B Valuation)

**75** 

Patents, Pending Applications and Trade Secrets 2,000 | 425

Team Members | Advanced Degrees 950,000

Square Feet of Terrestrial Infrastructure

2

Mission Control Rooms

28

Acre Rocket Engine Test Site 2

Centers in Support of National Security

**500** 

Space Missions Enabled by Sierra Space

49

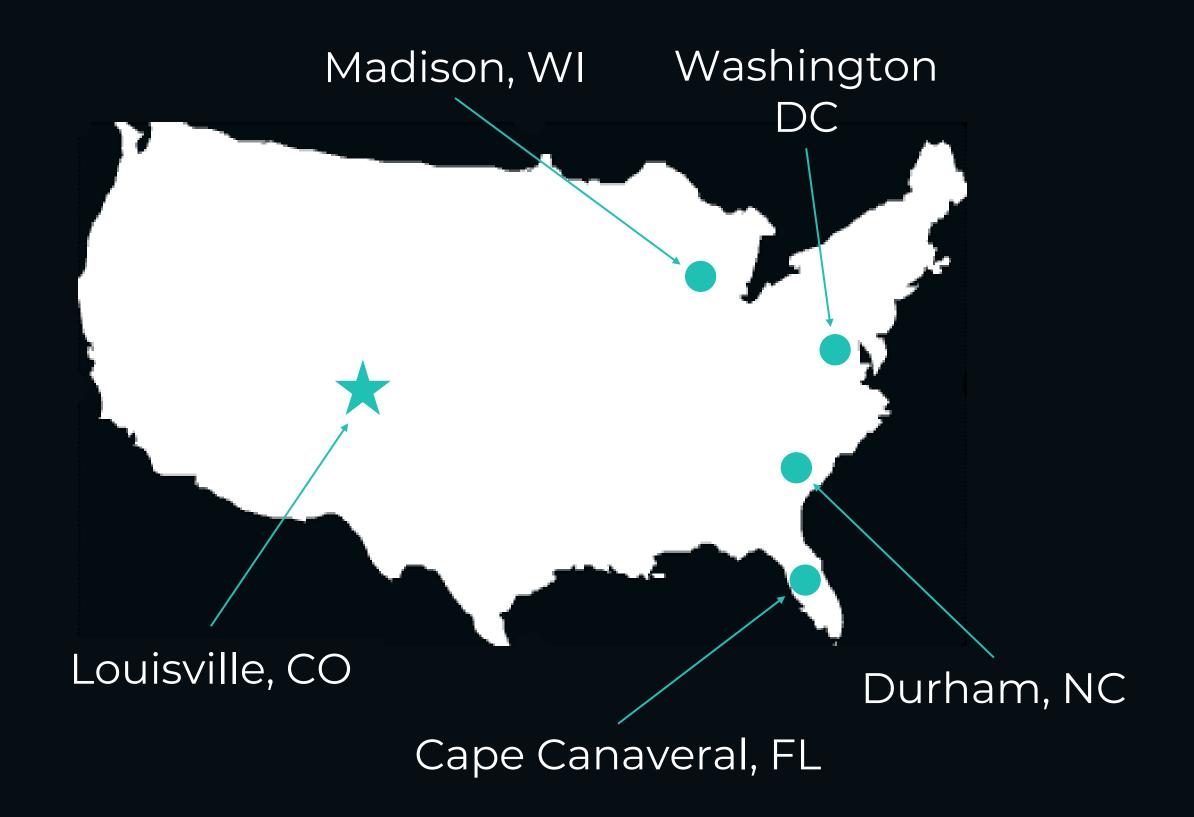
Interplanetary Missions

6 | 30

Years Developing Dream Chaser® | Years Enabling Space Missions



### Sierra Space US Presence Infrastructure in place to scale





Mission Control Louisville, Colorado



Vehicle Development Louisville, Colorado



Rocket Engine Development & Test North Freedom, WI



Electromechanical Durham, NC



LIFE Support & Propulsion Madison, WI



Power & Avionics Louisville, Colorado



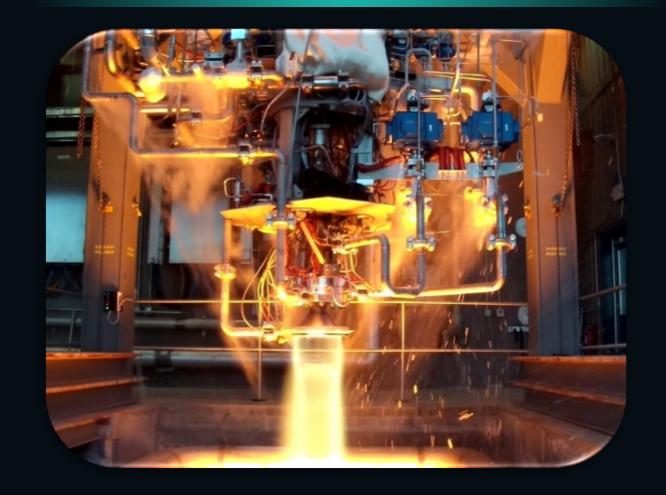
Launch Operations KSC, Florida

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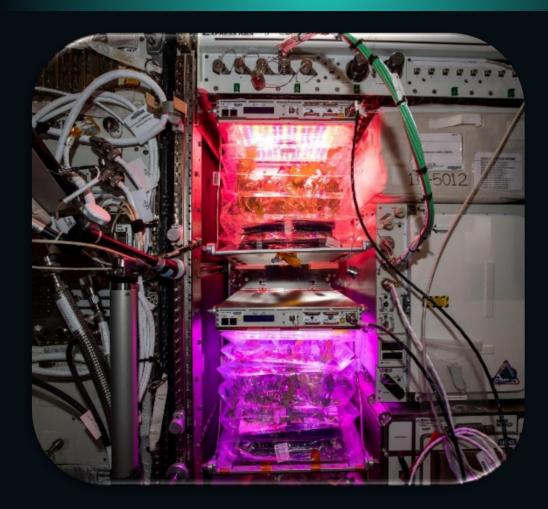


# Subsystems and Components

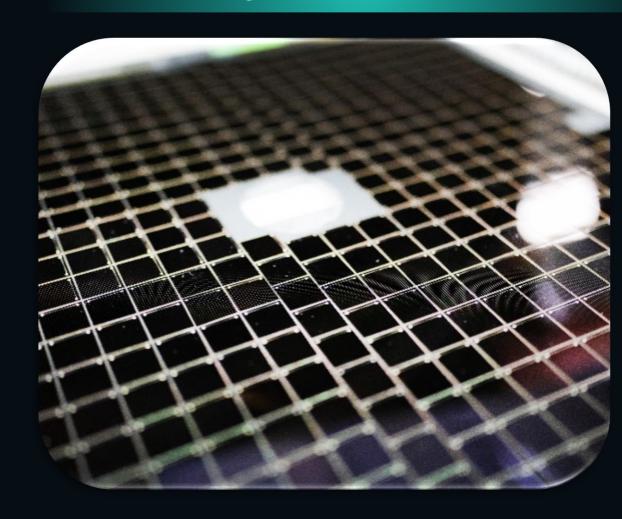
#### **Propulsion Systems**



#### **Environmental Control Systems**



#### **Power Systems & Mechanisms**



#### **Powering Aerospace Customers**



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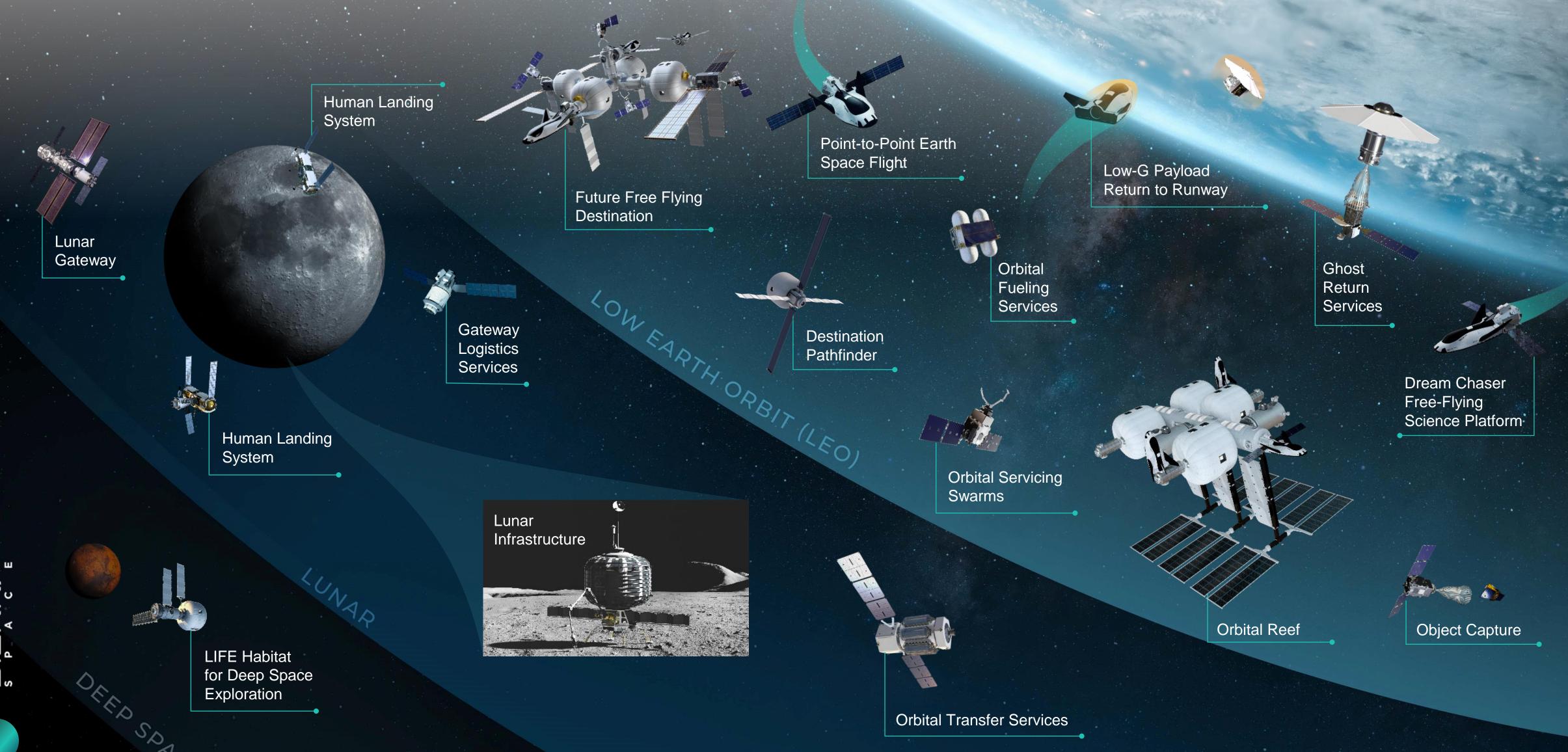








# UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO BUILD THE FUTURE SPACE INFRASTRUCTURE





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# Dream Chaser System Overview

- **\$3B** Active NASA Contract for Cargo to ISS
- 15+ Missions per Spaceplane Highly Reusable, Runway Capable
- **6+** Tons Cargo Capacity
- **2024** First Cargo Mission to ISS later in 2024
- 2nd Spaceplane Under Construction Provides Numerous Mission Flexibility







#### **Post Insertion**

#### Hours

- Solar array deploy
- Dream Chaser wing deploy
- Critical systems checkout

#### Ascent

#### Minutes

- Liftoff
- Fairing jettison
- Spacecraft separation

#### Pre-Launch

#### Weeks

- Unpressurized payload installation on Shooting Star
- Pressurized payload installation including late load within 24 hours of launch
- · Launch vehicle fairing encapsulation with access to cargo available
- · Power, command, and data available if needed



#### **Post-Landing**

#### Hours to Days

- Dream Chaser recovery and power down
- Pressurized payload and time-sensitive cargo retrieval within hours of landing



#### **ISS Operations**

Days to Months (Mission dependent)

Mission activities

# **Shooting Star and**

Unpressurized **Payload Disposal** 

Entry, Descent, and Landing

Minutes

#### Hours

Payload

Deorbit

Deploy and

**Dream Chaser** 

- Optional Dream Chaser reboost for payload deploy
- · Deorbit burn, Shooting Star separation

Minutes

**Launch Prep** 

Spacecraft to

internal power

· Go/No go for launch

One Day

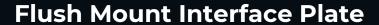
### Rideshare Overview

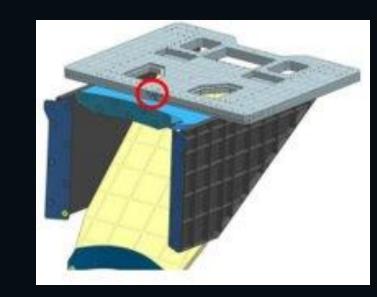


- ISS Rideshare:
  - Deployment may happen prior to ISS (first 3 days of mission) or post-ISS (after 30-75 days berthed)
  - Altitude from 330 450 km, inclination 51.6°
- For non-ISS missions:
  - Deployment specifics are dependent on the individual mission
  - Altitude up to 450 km, inclination 28.5 51.6°

#### Interfaces

- Deployable mechanism to be built by payload-provider to interface with one of the mounting options
  - Optionally, deployment mechanism can be provided by Sierra Space
- Dream Chaser team will perform deployment activity (e.g. commanding, monitoring)
- Flush mounted multi-use interface plate for hosted payloads



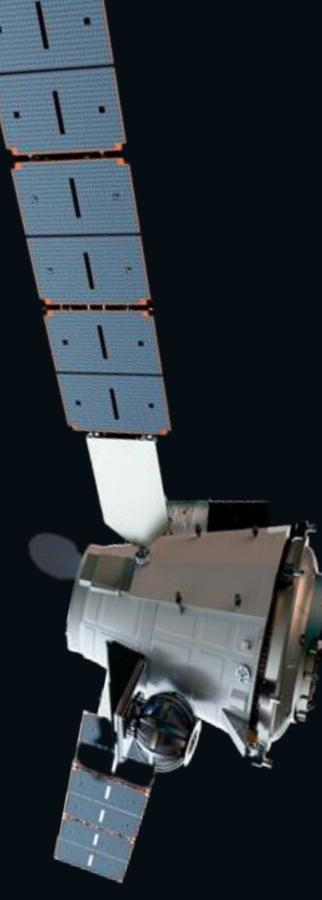


**QwkSep 15 Low-Shock Separation System** 



QwkSep 24 Low-Shock Separation System

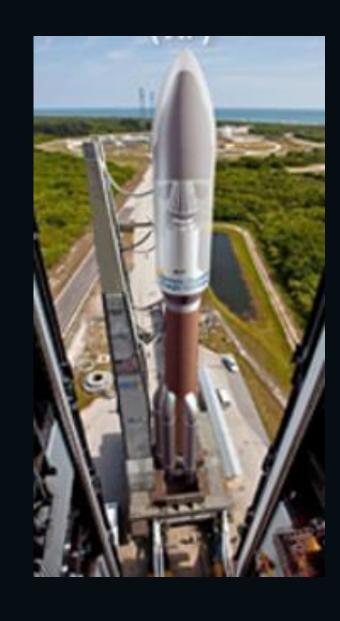


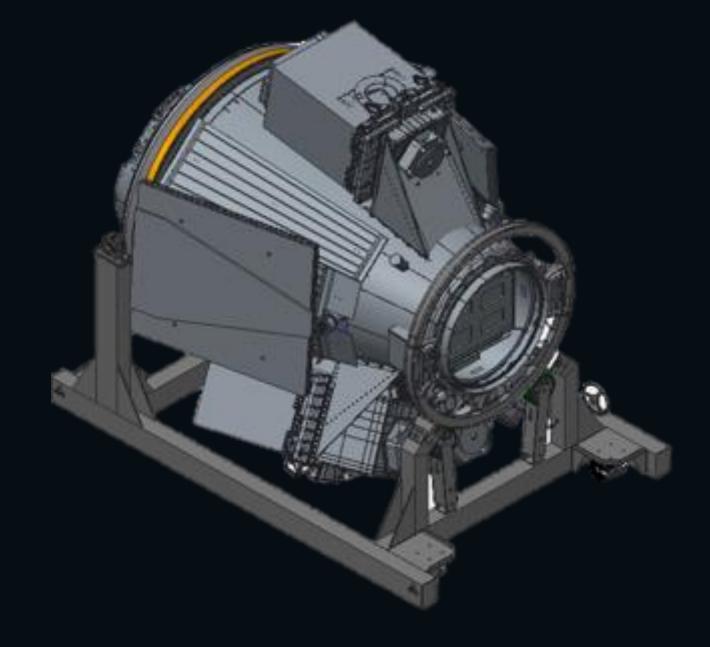




# Payload Integration ConOps

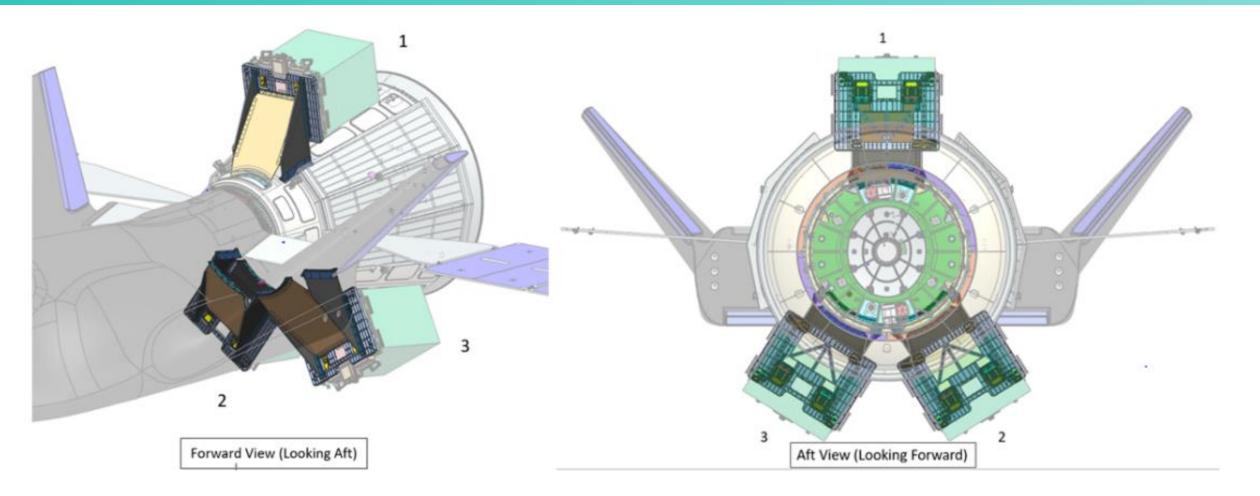
- Payloads are delivered to KSC at ~1 month before launch for installation at the Space Station Processing Facility (SSPF)
- Access for Remove Before Flight items is available within 7 days of launch, once within the fairing and stacked with the Launch Vehicle
- Once installed, the following resources are available:





Resource	Nominal	During Transportation Between Facilities
Power	300 W 120 Vdc; Provided via ground power resource to support operations as needed	None
Data	When powered, health and status data are available once per day; limited to 0.1 Hz post-encapsulation	None
Commanding	Provided if needed when the spacecraft is powered. Once at the launch pad, no commanding available.	None
Temperature and Humidity Control	Pre-VIF: 60 °F (15.56 °C) to 80 °F (26.67 °C) VIF and after: 50 °F (10°C) to 80 °F (26.67 °C) Pre-VIF: 25% to 75% relative humidity VIF and after: 0% to 75% relative humidity	50 °F (10.0 °C) to 89 °F (31.6 °C) 0% to 75% relative humidity
Air Purge	Provided if needed pre-encapsulation and then continuous 5K class post-encapsulation. At L-4 hours, switches to 5k class GN2.	Varies between 100k purge to visibly clean

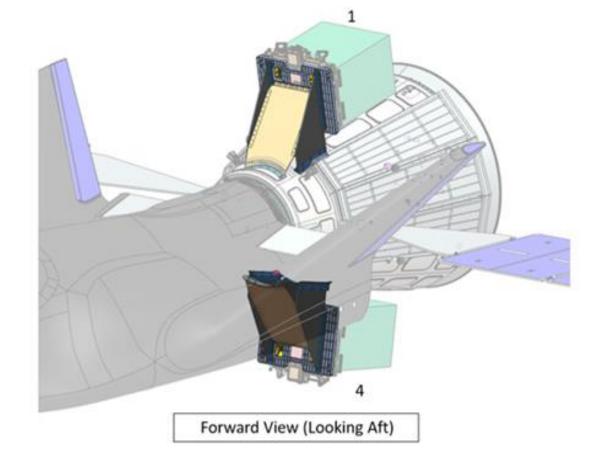
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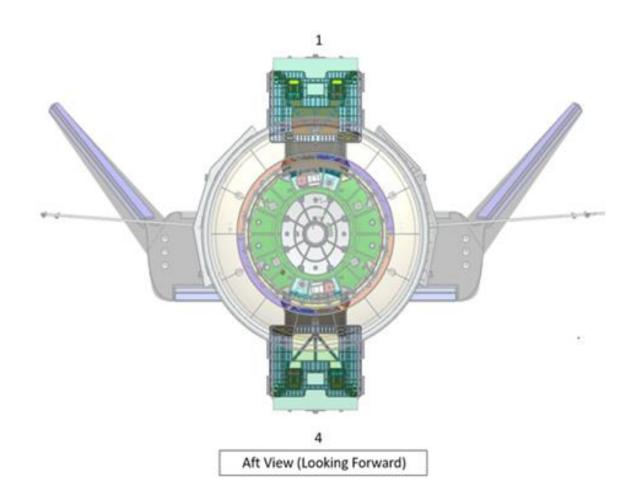


The CM can be arranged to support several different configurations of payloads using four locations. Locations 1, 2, and 3 are shown left. Locations 1 and 4 are shown below.

Configuration 1

A payload complement may consist of up to three unpressurized payloads. The maximum total unpressurized cargo complement is 3,307 lbs. (1,500 kg).





Configuration 2







# Orbit Options

Inclination	Expected Duration
51.65°	3 to 12 hours
51.65°	Up to 2 days
51.65°	Up to 75 days
51.65°	Up to 1 day
51.65°	Up to 1 day
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<sup>\*</sup>Optional for deployments, circular and elliptical orbits available







### Interfaces

Volume Envelope (Inches)	Mass Capability (Kg)	Power (Watts)	Supported Satellite Class
83 x 44 x 58 x 41	500	500	Up to ESPA
$(L \times W \times H1 \times H2)$		100 W average power	Grande
48 x 56 x 44 x 38	ΓΟΟ		Grande
$(L \times W \times H1 \times H2)$	500		
83 x 44 x 58 x 41 QwkSep® 15	up to 2 cumulative	ESPA Class	
$(L \times W \times H1 \times H2)$	101	nours	ESPA Class
83 x 44 x 58 x 41	700		ESPA Grande Class
$(L \times W \times H1 \times H2)$	300		
	(Inches)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41  (L x W x H1 x H2)  48 x 56 x 44 x 38  (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41  (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41  (L x W x H1 x H2)	(Inches) (Kg)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  48 x 56 x 44 x 38 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)	(Inches) (Kg) (Watts)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  48 x 56 x 44 x 38 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 (L x W x H1 x H2)  83 x 44 x 58 x 41 300

Note: Separation System volume envelopes include separation ring with a 2" height







# Example Timeline

Event	Date	
Integration Kickoff	L-20 months	
Vehicle Baseline Review (VBR)	L-18 months	
Payload Data Delivery	L-16 months	
Draft ICD	L-14 months	
Mission Integration Review (MIR)	L-12 months	
Final ICD	L-10 months	
Unpressurized Integration Review (UIR)	L-10 months	
Payload Data Delivery	L-8 months	
Flight Operations Review (FOR)	L-6 months	
Cargo Integration Review (CIR)	L-3 months	
Payload Installation	L-60-40 days	
Flight Readiness Review (FRR)	L-4 days	
Launch Vehicle Readiness Review (LRR)	L-2 days	
Post-Mission Review	End of Mission (EOM) +30 days	





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