



Communications & Power Industries Awarded \$1.4 Million Development Contract for Military Communications System

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Communications & Power Industries, Inc. (CPI) has been awarded a \$1.4 million contract to design, develop and test high-power Ka-band traveling wave tubes (TWTs) and amplifiers for the U.S. Air Force to support airborne communications applications. CPI, a subsidiary of CPI International, Inc. (Nasdaq: CPII), is a leading provider of microwave, radio frequency, power and control solutions for critical defense, communications, medical and scientific applications.

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The two-year, cost-plus-fixed-fee contract was awarded by the U.S. Air Force, Air Force Materiel Command, Air Force Research Laboratory in Rome, N.Y. Work on the contract will be performed by CPI's Satcom Division, Microwave Power Products Division and Beverly Microwave Division.

"We expect the development work CPI is doing for this military communications program will result in significant technology advances for high-power Ka-band amplifiers and for airborne communications applications," said Andy Tafler, president of CPI's Satcom Division.

About CPI International, Inc.

CPI International, Inc., headquartered in Palo Alto, California, is the parent company of Communications & Power Industries, Inc., a leading provider of microwave, radio frequency, power and control solutions for critical defense, communications, medical, scientific and other applications. Communications & Power Industries, Inc. develops, manufactures and distributes products used to generate, amplify, transmit and receive high-power/high-frequency microwave and radio frequency signals and/or provide power and control for various applications. End-use applications of these systems include the transmission of radar signals for navigation and location; transmission of deception signals for electronic countermeasures; transmission and amplification of voice, data and video signals for broadcasting, Internet and other types of commercial and military communications; providing power and control for medical diagnostic imaging; and generating microwave energy for radiation therapy in the treatment of cancer and for various industrial and scientific applications.

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