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FREQUENTIS USA, Inc. MOVE system supports the NASA CONSTELLATION Program's First Solid Rocket Flight Test with the Ares 1-X Rocket

Frequentis USA announces that National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA's) new Mission Operation Voice Enhancement (MOVE) system at the Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) provided mission critical voice communications for the Constellation Program's first solid rocket flight test using the Ares 1-X rocket.

The Ares 1-X flight tests brings the agency one step closer to its exploration goals – to transport astronauts to the International Space Station after the space shuttle retires and explore destinations beyond low Earth orbit.

The Frequentis supplied VCS3020 MOVE system, installed earlier this year at MSFC, was used during the Ares 1-X flight test to provide conferencing “loops” for the various disciplines that participated in the flight activity. “The Ares 1-X team members were very pleased with the performance of the MOVE system during this critical next generation launch vehicle event,” said Mark Lloyd, MOVE program manager at Frequentis. “The MSFC MOVE system will also be used during the next Shuttle mission, STS-129, targeted for launch on November 16, 2009 to the International Space Station.”

The MSFC VCS3020 MOVE system is the first of the potential twenty-one NASA wide systems to go operational in the MOVE program. The Frequentis system provides operational voice communication and conferencing among NASA voice controllers for the support and execution of unmanned and manned space flight missions. With a capacity to communicate with more than 5,000 operator positions and external interfaces over up to 3,000 conferences, the Frequentis VCS3020 system is the largest mission critical system in the world.

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