

Bill Parsons to Lead S3 Joint Venture Supporting NASA SACOM

ARLINGTON, Va., January 17, 2017 – Syncom Space Services LLC (S3), a joint venture of PAE and BWX Technologies, Inc. (BWXT) created to support the [NASA SACOM](#) contract, has appointed William “Bill” Parsons to the role of president. Effective today, Parsons will lead S3 operations at NASA’s Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, Mississippi, and the Michoud Assembly Facility in New Orleans, Louisiana; providing centralized management of the facility operations, maintenance requirements, test and manufacturing services.

“Bill has served the NASA mission in many different capacities and is extremely familiar with the unique requirements of the Stennis and Michoud sites,” said Karl Williams, who serves as Chairman of the S3 Board and PAE President. “His leadership within the NASA centers across the Gulf Coast and his more recent commercial experience position him perfectly to lead the S3 team forward in support of the SACOM mission.”

Parsons began his career at NASA as an aerospace engineer at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. In 1990, he joined the NASA team at the Kennedy Space Center in the Shuttle Operations Directorate and held numerous positions of increasing responsibility. In 1997, he was assigned to the Stennis Space Center as the Chief of Operations of the Propulsion Test Directorate. The following year, he relocated to NASA’s Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston and in 2000 was appointed as the JSC Deputy Director. In 2002, Parsons was appointed Director of the Stennis Space Center. The next year he was named Space Shuttle Program Manager to lead Return to Flight activities, and he played a key role in the success of the Discovery STS-114 mission. Soon after that mission, he returned to his role as Director of Stennis Space Center to lead Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts there and at Michoud Assembly Facility. He then returned to Kennedy Space Center as Deputy Director and was later named as Director. After retiring from NASA, Parsons served as Vice President of Strategic Space Initiatives at Lockheed Martin IS&GS and most recently as President and CEO of RD AMROSS, LLC, a joint venture that supports the United Launch Alliance.

Parsons began his career in the United States Marine Corps as an Infantry Officer. He holds a bachelor’s degree in engineering from the University of Mississippi and a master’s degree in engineering management from the University of Central Florida. During his many years of service to NASA, he has received numerous honors, including the Presidential Rank Award (Meritorious Executive); NASA’s Exceptional Service Medal and Distinguished Service Medal; the National Intelligence Medal of Achievement; and the Silver Snoopy, awarded by astronauts for outstanding performance in flight safety and mission success.

[S3](#) is a joint venture of PAE Applied Technologies LLC and BWXT Nuclear Operations Group, Inc. This joint venture was created to combine industry-leading capabilities in government facilities services, manufacturing and test support, specifically to execute the SACOM contract. Together, the S3 team offers management best practices, innovative processes, systems engineering and continuous improvement methods with an emphasis on safety.

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