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Ms. Sharon Watts
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Dear Sharon Watts:

As President and CEO of The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) and on behalf of the OGC Board of Directors, it is my great pleasure to inform you that Lockheed Martin has been selected to receive the 2012 OGC Distinguished Member Award.

The Distinguished Member Award recognizes an OGC member organization that has made a substantial, positive and sustained impact on OGC's interoperability mission accomplishment. LMC has demonstrated an extremely high level of sustained, innovative contribution to help further define location-based capability and interoperability. This award is granted by the Board in recognition of your organization's long-term leadership and dedication to advancing the geospatial interoperability mission objectives of The Open Geospatial Consortium.

I invite you to receive this Distinguished Member Award at the OGC member evening reception being held on 16 January 2012 as part of the OGC Technical Committee and Planning Committee meetings being held in Redlands, California. Please do let me know if you or another leadership representative of LMC will be on hand to receive the award.

Lockheed Martin is recognized as the 2012 OGC Distinguished Member for their substantial achievements realized over more than a decade of commitment to OGC standards programs. In addition to active membership involvement since 1995, LMC was one of the first commercial organizations to elevate their membership level to the Strategic level in 1999. Early in their Strategic membership, LMC leadership realized the value in providing significant targeted resources to advance OGC program support in areas of focus important to the OGC mission as well as to the LMC and their customers. This Distinguished membership award recognizes LMC's:

- Strategic, sustained technical leadership in all aspects of the Consortium on behalf of LMC programs and its customers and partners.
- The annual provision of dedicated and skilled technical resources to work alongside consortium experts to define, manage and architect a range of Interoperability Program initiatives that have directly benefited and advanced key OGC standards and best practices.
- Hosting of OGC's first major testbed demonstration activity in Gaithersburg, MD in 2001 – an event

that led to a revolutionary way to develop standards. The event was a watershed for uptake of OGC standards across government.

- Sponsorship of requirements in 14 OGC Interoperability Program testbed and pilot initiatives to develop, test and operationally demonstrate new standards and standards based architectures of importance to LMC's defense and intelligence customer base.
- Active participation in OGC Technical Committee working groups, as well as ongoing participation in OGC's Planning Committee and Strategic Member Advisory Committee. The quality of the technical personnel provided by LMC has demonstrably made a difference.

This OGC Distinguished Member Award represents the gratitude of the OGC Board and of the many organizations that have benefited from the development activity stimulated by the LMC throughout their Strategic member leadership in a range of OGC programs. The impact of LMC support and innovation has been profound -- driving improved agile development with substantially improved mission outcomes that benefit the user community worldwide.

We look forward to a continued partnership with LMC to continue advancing major areas of standards and interoperability of benefit to the geospatial community including LMC's customers.

Sincerely,



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