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## **Mercury Computer Systems Selected to Deliver Hyperspectral Imaging System for Multi-INT Wide Area Surveillance Equipment**

**Two uniquely configured PowerBlock 15 Ultra-Compact Embedded Computers operate as a distributed computing system onboard every platform**

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Mercury Computer Systems Inc., (NASDAQ: MRCY, [www.mc.com](http://www.mc.com)), a trusted ISR subsystems provider, announced that it has been selected to provide a SWaP-optimized hyperspectral image processing and storage subsystem for multi-INT wide area surveillance equipment used on unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). Mercury's customer will use the subsystem to locate individual adversaries and enemy tactical communications. The design integrates two configurations of Mercury's [PowerBlock<sup>®</sup> 15 Ultra-Compact Embedded Computers](#) and uniquely combines the processing speed of Intel<sup>®</sup> Core<sup>™</sup> i7 with FPGA capabilities for a real-time sensor interface in an ultra-small form factor.

"Mercury's expertise in developing ultra-compact, SWaP-optimized distributed computing platforms with exceptional processing power is an ideal match for the challenges faced by this prime contractor in delivering state-of-the-art surveillance systems for space-constrained environments," said Didier Thibaud, senior vice president and general manager of Mercury Computer Systems' Advanced Computing Solutions business unit. "As a trusted supplier to primes, we are known for delivering best-of-breed systems that help generate actionable data and heightened situational awareness for military personnel."

The hyperspectral image processing system designed by Mercury includes two configurations of its PowerBlock 15 Ultra-Compact Embedded Computers, one for storage and one for image processing. The system from Mercury will perform extremely fast, high-quality hyperspectral imaging by collecting and processing information from across the electromagnetic spectrum. The PowerBlock 15 units installed on board each platform are designed to communicate with each other and operate as a distributed computing system to maximize performance and minimize power consumption. With a chassis about the size of a disk drive, the PowerBlock 15 units can be tucked into tight spaces and distributed and interconnected in multiple locations across deployed platforms with extremely small environments such as tactical UAVs and manned ground vehicles.

For more information about Mercury's subsystem solutions, visit [www.mc.com](http://www.mc.com), or contact Mercury at 866. 627.6951 or [info@mc.com](mailto:info@mc.com).

### **Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. - Where Challenges Drive Innovation<sup>®</sup>**

Mercury Computer Systems ([www.mc.com](http://www.mc.com), NASDAQ: MRCY) is a best of breed provider of open, application-ready, multi-INT subsystems for the ISR market. With 25+ years' experience in embedded computing, superior domain expertise in radar, EW, EO/IR, C4I, and sonar applications, and more than 300 successful program deployments including Aegis, Global Hawk, and Predator, Mercury's Services and Systems Integration team leads the industry in partnering with customers to design and integrate system-level solutions that minimize program risk, maximize application portability, and accelerate customers' time to market.

Mercury is based in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, and serves customers worldwide through a broad network of direct sales offices, subsidiaries, and distributors.

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