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Minus K Technology's Negative-Stiffness Vibration Isolators Selected for James Webb Space Telescope Ground Testing

(Inglewood, California, September 3, 2009) – Inglewood, California, April 20, 2009, Minus K Technology, Inc. has been selected by ITT Space Systems, LLC, subcontractor to Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC), to provide vibration isolators for the ground testing of the new James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) at the Johnson Space Center (JSC). The JWST will be placed in a vacuum chamber at the Johnson Space Center and supported by a set of custom Minus K vibration isolators.

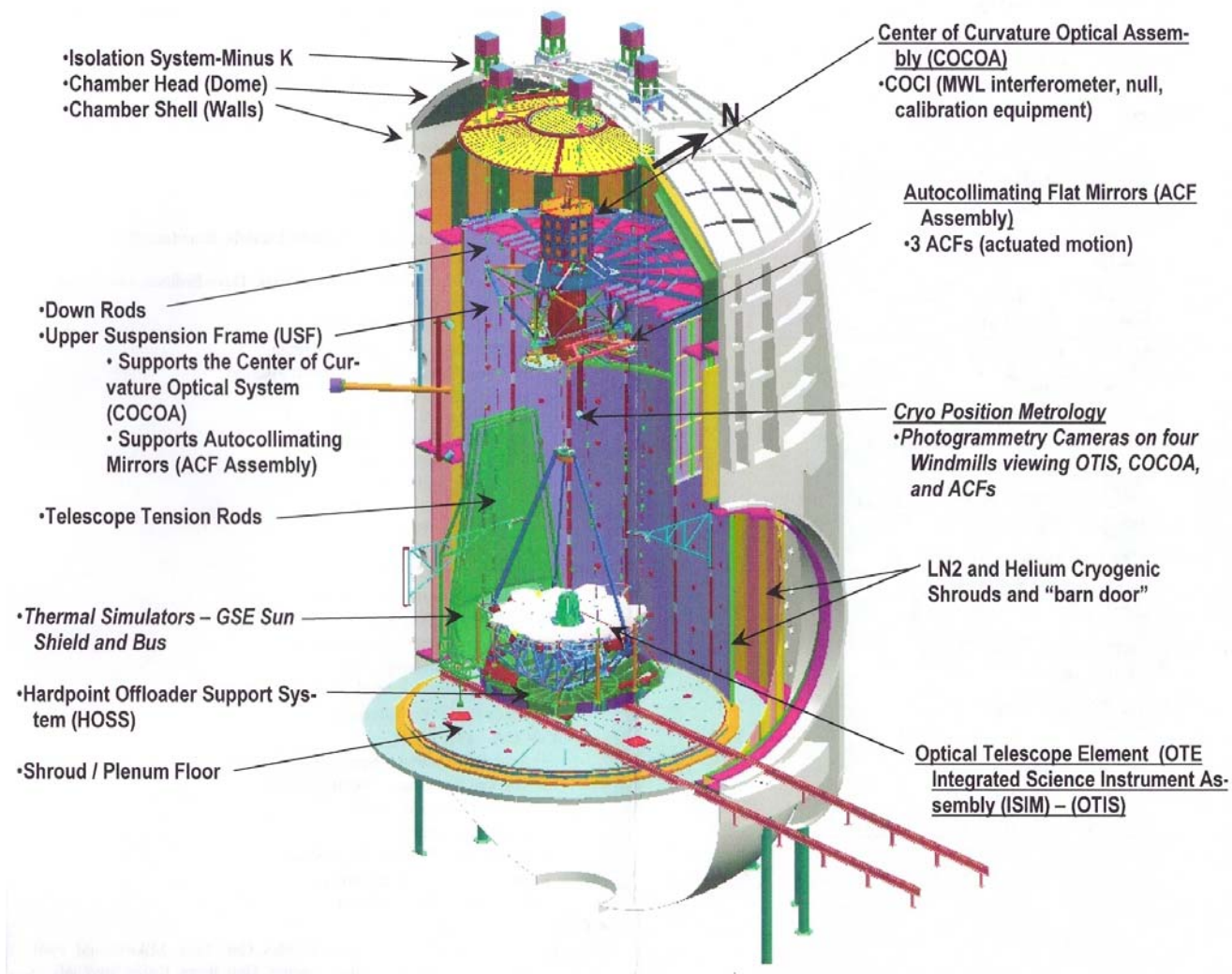
The James Webb Space Telescope is a large-aperture infrared space telescope currently planned to be launched in 2014 from Kourou, French Guiana aboard an Ariane 5 launch vehicle. JWST is designated to succeed the Hubble Space Telescope.

“A major factor in selecting Minus K is its ability to not only isolate vibrations vertically, but also horizontally at less than 1 Hz,” says Dr. David Platus, president of Minus K and principal inventor of the patented Negative-Stiffness Mechanism technology that is the key to the passive vibration isolators. “Minus K’s isolators offer better isolation performance than air and active isolation systems.

Minus K Technology, Inc. works with many aerospace and education laboratories for custom vibration isolation systems. It also has a line of standard bench-top and table vibration isolation products.

(Below is a drawing of how the Minus K isolators will be used for Ground Testing)

JSC Configuration



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