

HIGH MOBILITY ARTILLERY ROCKET SYSTEM

DESCRIPTION

The High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) is a C-130-transportable, wheeled, indirect-fire, rocket/missile system capable of firing all rockets and missiles in the current and future Multiple Launch Rocket System Family of Munitions (MFOM).

The HIMARS (launcher) consists of a Fire Control System, a carrier (automotive platform), and a launcher-loader module that will perform all operations necessary to complete a fire mission. The system is



defined as one launcher, two resupply vehicles, two trailers and a basic load of 9 pods (six rockets per pod) of MFOM rockets

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

HIMARS addresses an identified, critical warfighting deficiency in Marine Corps fire support. The system will provide responsive, all-weather, 24-hour general support/general support reinforcing/reinforcing indirect fires, and will extend the range of artillery support provided to Marines in combat from 30 to 60 kilometers.

PROGRAM STATUS

HIMARS entered post-Milestone C in November 2003. Marine Corps Systems Command anticipates providing a battery-sized interim capability in FY 2005. Full rate production begins in FY 2006, with initial operational capability achieved in FY 2007 and full operational capability achieved in FY 2008.

| PROCUREMENT PROFILE: | FY 04 | FY 05 |
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| Quantity: | 1 | 1 |
| DEVELOPER/MANUFACTURER | | |
| Launcher and MFOM: Lockheed Martin Corp., Missiles & Fire Control Div., Dallas, TX | | |
| Re-Supply System: Oshkosh Truck Corporation, Oshkosh, WI | | |