



FRCSE establishes capability to repair eye-safe laser rangefinders



L-3 Warrior Systems - ALST Customer Service Team Program Manager Mark Orr (left) and Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE) Electronics Mechanic Cathy Cornioli cut a ribbon to officially activate the military depot's eye-safe laser rangefinder (ELRF) capability June 17. Looking on are FRCSE Business Office Director John Martin (back, left), FRCSE Avionics Product Manager Chris Kopp (second from left, back), FRCSE Integrated Product Team Lead for Avionics Components Sammie Kimble, (second from right) and FRCSE Business Management Specialist Tina Testa. The partnership between FRCSE and L-3 allows artisans to provide depot-level support services for the ELRFs in support of the U.S. Navy's H-60 aircraft. (U.S. Navy Photo/Released)

Jacksonville, Fla. – Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE) held a ribbon-cutting ceremony June 17 to officially establish a partnership with L-3 Warrior Systems - ALST to provide depot-level support services for U.S. Navy H-60 helicopter eye-safe laser rangefinders (ELRFs).

ELRFs are electro-optical instruments that combine binocular observation and distant measuring to determine target ranges. They are designed to protect the eye-sight of service members working and training in the field.

The joint collaboration allows FRCSE technicians to repair and test ELRFs for the helicopter's Multi-Sensor Targeting Systems (MTS) using state-of-the-art test equipment and information technology. These systems or turrets, provide pilots with long-range surveillance, high-altitude targeting, tracking, range-finding and lasers.



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“This partnership provides an opportunity for FRCSE and L-3 Warrior Systems – ALST Orlando to have a teaming agreement to assist with getting MTS repair units back to the field as soon as possible,” said L-3 Warrior Systems - ALST Customer Service Team Program Manager Mark Orr. “FRCSE provides a second source to increase and improve the turnaround time of lasers to ensure the end goal of returning the unit to the warfighter.”

The company is also providing continued support services, training and supply chain systems needed to maintain ELRFs in the fleet.

“It’s a continuation of growth with our partnerships in terms of standing up organic capability at the depot,” added FRCSE Integrated Product Team Lead for Avionics Components Sammie Kimble. “The ELRF is one of the newer lasers that’s been developed. It is eye safe friendly and won’t damage the eye-sight of the soldiers on the field.

“This partnership continues to give us the capability to support the MTS turret. And it helps FRCSE advance our continued efforts to be an electro-optics center of excellence for the Navy.”