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UNITED SPACE ALLIANCE TO SIGN SUPPORT STATEMENT FOR GUARD AND RESERVE

HOUSTON, Texas (June 16, 2005) -- United Space Alliance will become one of only 36 companies in the State of Texas to publicly demonstrate its commitment to and support for the National Guard and Reserve by formally signing a "Five Star Statement of Support" with Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) at a special ceremony on Friday, June 17, 2005.

"The National Guard and Reserve play an integral and critical part of our country's defense," said USA President and CEO Mike McCulley, who will be signing the support statement. "More than half of the men and women serving in our armed forces are members of the Guard and Reserve, and at USA, we have more than 100 employees who serve their country through the National Guard and Reserve. We're extremely proud of the role these employees play in keeping our country safe."

The "Five Star Statement of Support" Signing Ceremony is scheduled for 1:30 p.m., Friday, June 17, 2005, at USA Headquarters, 1150 Gemini. Many of USA's own members of the National Guard and Reserve are expected to be in attendance, as will Paul Marshall, Chairman of the Texas ESGR, Area 2.

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Sponsored by the National Committee for ESGR, an agency within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, the Statement of Support program is a public statement representing a company's level of commitment or support for employee military service. There are five distinct levels of the program, with the increasing number of stars representing an increasing level of commitment or support for employee military service on the part of the employer.

United Space Alliance, established in 1995, is a leader in space operations offering extensive experience in space launch and recovery operations; mission planning and control; flight hardware processing; space flight training; on-orbit assembly, payload deployment and servicing; rendezvous/proximity operations and docking; large-scale integration and sustaining engineering. United Space Alliance serves as NASA's prime contractor for the Space Shuttle and provides operations services for the International Space Station. United Space Alliance employs more than 10,000 people in Texas, Florida, and Alabama.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

All media representatives are invited to attend the Five Star Statement of Support Signing Ceremony at United Space Alliance, 1150 Gemini, Houston, Texas, at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, June 17, 2005. To make arrangements to attend the ceremony, please contact Kari Fluegel at (281) 280-6959.

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