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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM SB-2
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SPACEDEV, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COLORADO	3761	84-1374613
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Primary standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to public: FROM TIME TO TIME AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box: []

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If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box:

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering:

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If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434 under the Securities Act, please check the following box:

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

TITLE OF EACH CLASS OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED	AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED (1)	PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE	PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Convertible Note	1,818,182 (2)	0.550 (3)	1,000,000
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	125,000	0.630 (3)	78,750
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	50,000	0.690 (3)	34,500
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	25,000	0.800 (3)	20,000
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	158,333	0.750 (3)	118,750
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	23,419	0.854 (3)	20,000
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	818,248	0.490 (3)	400,942
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, underlying Warrants	196,079	0.510 (3)	100,000
Total	3,214,261		1,772,941

(1) In the event of a stock split, stock dividend, or similar transaction involving common stock of the registrant, in order to prevent dilution, the

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number of shares registered shall be automatically increased to cover the additional shares in accordance with Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act. This registration statement covers an aggregate of 3,214,261 shares.

(2) Represents 100% of the good faith estimate of the number of shares that are issuable to the selling security holder following the conversion of interest on and/or principal of a convertible note held by the selling security holder. If our good faith estimate is incorrect and we determine that additional common stock will be required to cover all principal and interest payments, we will be required to file a new registration statement to register any such additional shares.

(3) Exercise prices fixed in each warrant agreement.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING UNDER SECTION 8(a), MAY DETERMINE.

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PROSPECTUS

SPACEDEV, INC.

3,214,261 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK

This prospectus relates to the resale by security holders of up to 3,214,261 shares of our common stock underlying (1) common stock purchase warrants issued in a prior private placement of our securities to accredited investors representing 1,196,079 shares (the "Warrants"), (2) a three-year secured convertible note, or the Convertible Note, issued to Laurus Master Fund, Ltd. ("Laurus") in the principal amount of \$1,000,000, and (3) a common stock purchase warrant for up to 200,000 shares issued to Laurus in relation to the Convertible Note (the "Laurus Warrant"). We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of the shares by the selling security holders. We have not retained any underwriter in connection with the sale of the securities. We have paid, on behalf of the selling security holders, the expenses of the offering estimated to be \$31,143 .

Our common stock trades on The Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board under the symbol "SPDV." The last reported sale price of our common stock on April 3, 2006, was \$1.52 per share.

Our principal offices are located at 13855 Stowe Drive, Poway, California 92064, and our telephone number is (858) 375-2000.

INVESTING IN OUR COMMON STOCK INVOLVES RISKS. AS YOU REVIEW THE PROSPECTUS, YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE MATTERS DESCRIBED UNDER "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 6.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have

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not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS IS ACCURATE OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOT AN OFFER TO SELL THESE SECURITIES AND IS NOT SOLICITING AN OFFER TO BUY THESE SECURITIES IN ANY STATE WHERE THE OFFER OR SALE IS NOT PERMITTED.

The date of this prospectus is April 28, 2006.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights some information from this prospectus. Because it is a summary, it necessarily does not contain all of the information necessary to your investment decision. To understand this offering fully, you should read carefully the entire prospectus, especially the risks of investing in our common stock discussed under "Risk Factors."

In connection with a strategic financing with Laurus Master Fund, Ltd., or simply Laurus, this prospectus covers the resale of up to 1,818,182 shares of our common stock that are issuable upon conversion of a three-year Secured Convertible Note, or the Convertible Note, in the principal amount of \$1,000,000, and up to 200,000 shares of common stock that are issuable upon the exercise by Laurus of a warrant, called the Laurus Warrant in this prospectus, that we provided to Laurus in connection with the strategic financing. In addition, this prospectus covers the resale of up to 1,196,079 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding warrants issued in a private placement offering from November 2000 to February 2003, referred to herein as the Warrants.

OUR COMPANY

We are engaged in the conception, design, development, manufacture, integration and operations of space technology systems, products and services. We are currently focused on the commercial development of low-cost micro-satellites, nano-satellites and related subsystems, hybrid rocket propulsion as well as the associated engineering technical services to government, aerospace and other commercial enterprises. Our products and solutions are sold directly to these customers and include sophisticated micro- and nano-satellites, hybrid rocket-based orbital Maneuvering and orbital Transfer Vehicles as well as safe sub-orbital and orbital hybrid rocket-based propulsion systems. We are also developing commercial hybrid rocket motors and small high performance space vehicles and subsystems.

Starsys Research Corporation was acquired by SpaceDev on January 31, 2006 in a tax-free forward triangular merger, renamed Starsys, Inc., and is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of SpaceDev. Starsys is engaged in the design and manufacture of mechanical and electromechanical subsystems and components for spacecraft. Starsys' subsystems enable critical spacecraft functions such as pointing solar arrays and communication antennas and restraining, deploying and actuating moving spacecraft components. Starsys manufactures a wide range of products that include bi-axis gimbals, flat plate gimbals, solar array pointing mechanisms, deployable booms, separation systems, thermal louvers, actuators, restraint devices and cover systems. Starsys' products are sold both as "off-the-shelf" catalog products, which represent previously qualified devices with spaceflight history, and as custom systems that are developed for specific applications. Starsys' products are typically sold directly to spacecraft manufacturers. Starsys' customer base is segregated into three major segments: (1) domestic and international commercial spacecraft (communication and imaging satellites), (2) civil spacecraft (NASA) that are primarily scientific in nature and (3) defense spacecraft that support the United States' military capability. Starsys also offers products to non-space customers, including aerospace, maritime, and industrial customers. See "Description of Business" for more

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information.

THE OFFERING

Common stock underlying the interest and/or principal of the Convertible Note	1,818,182 shares
Common stock underlying the Laurus Warrant and the Warrants	1,396,079 shares
Common Stock Outstanding after Exercise of outstanding Warrants, the Laurus Warrant and the Convertible Note on shares outstanding on April 3, 2006	28,910,516 shares

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Termination of the Offering	The offering will conclude upon the earlier of the sale of all 3,214,261 shares of common stock registered, the date the shares no longer need to be registered to be sold or the three-year anniversary of the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.
Use of Proceeds	All proceeds from the sale of shares underlying the Warrants, the Convertible Note and the Laurus Warrant will be received by the selling security holders for their own accounts. See "Use of Proceeds."
Risk Factors	You should read the "Risk Factors" beginning on page 6, as well other cautionary statements throughout this prospectus, before investing in shares of our common stock.

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SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following financial data is provided as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. The financial data as of and for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 is derived from, and is qualified by reference to, the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes to those consolidated financial statements which are a part of this prospectus. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for any future periods.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS DATA

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
2005	2004

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Net revenues	\$ 9,005,011	\$ 4,890,743
Income from operations	\$ 311,500	\$ 144,285
Net income/(loss)	\$ 501,264	\$ (3,027,054)
Basic income/(loss) per share	\$ 0.02	\$ (0.16)
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	22,270,997	18,610,141

AS AT
DECEMBER 31,

	2005	2004
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,750,038	\$ 5,068,601
Working capital	\$ 6,195,086	\$ 4,897,796
Total assets	\$11,008,649	\$ 6,090,434
Long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 830,677	\$ 963,875
Stockholders' Equity	\$ 7,969,213	\$ 4,335,657

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RISK FACTORS

AN INVESTMENT IN SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK INVOLVES A HIGH DEGREE OF RISK. IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS PROSPECTUS, YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING RISK FACTORS BEFORE DECIDING TO INVEST OR MAINTAIN AN INVESTMENT IN SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK. THIS PROSPECTUS CONTAINS CERTAIN FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS THAT INVOLVE RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES. OUR ACTUAL RESULTS COULD DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE ANTICIPATED IN THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS AS A RESULT OF CERTAIN FACTORS, INCLUDING THOSE SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING RISK FACTORS AND ELSEWHERE IN THIS PROSPECTUS. IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING RISKS ACTUALLY OCCURS, IT IS LIKELY THAT OUR BUSINESS, FINANCIAL CONDITION AND OPERATING RESULTS WOULD BE HARMED. AS A RESULT, THE TRADING PRICE OF OUR COMMON STOCK COULD DECLINE, AND YOU COULD LOSE PART OR ALL OF YOUR INVESTMENT.

OUR PLAN TO REMAIN CASH FLOW POSITIVE AND BECOME PROFITABLE DEPENDS ON OUR ABILITY TO INCREASE REVENUES, CONTROL COSTS IN A VARIETY OF AREAS, HIRE NEW ENGINEERS AND IMPROVE OUR PROJECT MANAGEMENT EXPERTISE.

We were cashflow positive in 2005 primarily as a result of profitable execution of our Missile Defense Agency contract and other government and commercial contracts. Our ability to increase cash generation from operations and thereby continue as a going concern without the need to raise equity capital depends upon our ability to ultimately implement our business plan, which includes (but is not limited to) generating substantial new revenue from the Missile Defense Agency by successfully performing under our \$43 million contract and continuing to attract and successfully complete other

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government and commercial contracts. The Missile Defense Agency contract is staged, and we cannot guarantee that all subsequent phases will be awarded or will be awarded to us. Recent budget cuts may affect government spending on these space-based contracts.

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IF WE ARE UNABLE TO RAISE CAPITAL IN THE FUTURE, WE MAY BE UNABLE TO FUND OPERATING CASH SHORTFALLS.

Our future capital requirements will depend upon many factors, including but not limited to sales and marketing efforts, the development of new products and services, the successful completion of existing projects, possible future strategic acquisitions, the progress of our research and development efforts, and the status of competitive products and services. As of December 31, 2005 and 2004, we had a working capital of \$6,195,086, and \$4,897,796, respectively, and an accumulated deficit of \$14,575,489 and \$14,905,797, respectively. As of those dates, we had \$5,750,038 and \$5,068,601, respectively, in cash and cash equivalents and \$1,279,027 and \$620,097, respectively, of accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts.

In the past, both SpaceDev and Starsys have relied upon cash from financing activities to fund part of the cash requirements of their respective businesses. We may need additional financing to fund our projected operations. Additional financing may not be available to us on acceptable terms, or at all. Any financing may cause additional dilution to existing shareholders. Any debt financing or other issuance of securities senior to common stock likely will include financial and other covenants that will restrict our operating flexibility and our ability to pay dividends to shareholders. SpaceDev has not paid dividends on its common stock in the past and does not anticipate paying dividends on its common stock in the foreseeable future.

SOME OF OUR GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS ARE STAGED AND WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT ALL STAGES OF THE CONTRACTS WILL BE AWARDED TO US OR AT ALL.

Some of our government contracts, including the \$43,362,271 MDA contract awarded on March 31, 2004, are phased contracts, in which the customer may determine to terminate the contract between phases for any reason. We can give no assurance that, as to any such agreement, the entire contract will be realized by us. In the event that subsequent phases of some of our government contracts, including but not limited to the MDA contract, are not awarded to us, it would have a material adverse effect on our business operations and financial condition, unless equivalent contracts were simultaneously awarded to us. For example, recently, SpaceDev was informed by the Missile Defense Agency that it would not be exercising its option for a second cluster of three microsats under the March 31, 2004 Missile Defense Agency contract. SpaceDev estimates that the second cluster represented approximately \$10 million of the \$43 million of total potential payments under the contract. In the event that subsequent phases of some of our government contracts, including but not limited to the Missile Defense Agency contract, are not awarded to us, it could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations.

IF A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE SECURED CONVERTIBLE NOTE WERE CONVERTED INTO SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK, THE VOTING POWER OF YOUR INVESTMENT AND OUR EARNINGS PER SHARE COULD BE DILUTED.

The Convertible Note in the amount of \$1,000,000, that we issued to Laurus, on June 3, 2003, and subsequently increased to \$1,500,000 on August 25, 2004, was convertible by Laurus into up to 1,818,182 shares of our common

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stock at an initial fixed conversion price of \$0.55 per share. The next \$500,000 of the Convertible Note was converted into 588,235 shares of our common stock at a fixed conversion price of \$0.85 per share. The next \$1,000,000 of the

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Convertible Note was converted into 1,000,000 shares of our common stock at a fixed conversion price of \$1.00 per share. Finally, the \$2,500,000 of the Preferred Stock and accrued dividends may be converted into up to 1,845,779 shares of our common stock at a fixed conversion price of \$1.54 per share. The 3,406,417 shares issued on conversion of the Convertible Note were all issued at less than the then current market price of our common stock. Although we do not anticipate the need to continue drawing on the revolving credit facility in 2006, any additional draws would be converted at a rate of 103% of the fair market value of the common stock. The Convertible Note expires on June 3, 2006.

IF A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE PREFERRED STOCK OR THE WARRANTS WERE CONVERTED INTO SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK, THE VOTING POWER OF YOUR INVESTMENT AND OUR EARNINGS PER SHARE COULD BE DILUTED.

We issued 250,000 shares of Series C Non-Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Preferred Stock"), to Laurus for an aggregate purchase price of \$2,500,000 or \$10.00 per share (the "Stated Value"). The Preferred Stock is convertible into shares of our \$0.0001 par value common stock at a rate of \$1.54 per share at any time after the date of issuance. The Preferred Stock is redeemable by us in whole or in part at any time after issuance for (a) 115% of the Stated Value if the average closing price of the common stock for the 22 days immediately preceding the date of conversion does not exceed the conversion rate or (b) the Stated Value if the average closing price of our common stock for the 22 days immediately preceding the date of conversion exceeds the Stated Value. If the Preferred Stock is converted at the price stated above, dilution of the voting power of your investment and of our earnings per share could continue to occur.

In addition, in conjunction with the issuance of the Preferred Stock and with our revolving credit facility with Laurus, we issued Laurus warrants to purchase up to 787,000 shares of our common stock. Each warrant may be exercised for a per share price that is lower than the current fair market value of our common stock as traded on the Over-The-Counter Bulletin Board. Although the exercise of those warrants will result in proceeds to the Company, significant dilution of the voting power of your investment and of our earnings per share could occur upon exercise.

On January 13, 2006, we issued and sold to a limited number of institutional accredited investors, including Laurus, 5,150 shares of our Series D-1 Amortizing Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, which we refer to as Series D-1 Preferred Stock, for an aggregate purchase price of \$5,150,000, or \$1,000 per share. We also issued various warrants to these investors under the 2006 purchase agreement.

CONTRACTUAL LIMITATIONS THAT RESTRICT LAURUS' ABILITY TO CONVERT THE PREFERRED STOCK MAY NOT NECESSARILY PREVENT SUBSTANTIAL DILUTION OF THE VOTING POWER AND VALUE OF YOUR INVESTMENT.

Laurus may convert the Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock at a rate of \$1.54 per share. The contractual limitations that restrict Laurus' ability to convert the Preferred Stock into shares of our common stock are limited in their application and effect and may not prevent dilution of your investment. Laurus is subject to a contractual 4.99% beneficial ownership

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limitation that prohibits Laurus from converting the note if and to the extent that the conversion would result in Laurus, together with its affiliates, beneficially owning more than 4.99% of our outstanding common stock. However, this 4.99% limitation can be waived by Laurus upon 75 days' advance notice to us. In addition, this 4.99% limitation does not prevent Laurus from converting the Preferred Stock into shares of common stock and then reselling those shares in stages, over time, where Laurus and its affiliates do not, at any given time, beneficially own shares in excess of the 4.99% limitation. Consequently, these limitations will not necessarily prevent dilution of the voting power and value of your investment.

THE MARKET PRICE OF OUR COMMON STOCK AND THE VALUE OF YOUR INVESTMENT COULD SUBSTANTIALLY DECLINE IF ALL OR A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE CONVERTIBLE NOTE WERE CONVERTED INTO COMMON SHARES WHICH WERE RESOLD INTO THE MARKET, OR IF A PERCEPTION EXISTS THAT SUCH SALES COULD OCCUR.

If the conversion prices at which any future balances on the Convertible Note converted are lower than the price at which you made your investment, immediate dilution of the value of your investment will occur. In addition, sales of a substantial number of shares of common stock issued upon conversion of the Note, or even the perception that such sales could occur, could adversely affect the market price of our common stock. You could, therefore, experience a decline in the value of your investment as a result of both the actual and potential conversion of Note.

THE TERMS OF SPACEDEV'S OUTSTANDING SHARES OF PREFERRED STOCK, AND ANY SHARES OF PREFERRED STOCK ISSUED IN THE FUTURE, MAY REDUCE THE VALUE OF YOUR COMMON STOCK.

SpaceDev is authorized to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series. SpaceDev currently has outstanding 248,460 shares of its Series C Convertible Preferred Stock and 5,150 shares of its Series D Preferred Stock. Our board of directors may determine the terms of future preferred stock offerings without further action by our shareholders. If we issue additional preferred stock, it could affect your rights or reduce the value of your common stock. In particular, specific rights granted to future holders of preferred stock could be used to restrict our ability to merge with or sell our assets to a third party. These terms may include voting rights, preferences as to dividends and liquidation, conversion and redemption rights, and sinking fund provisions. SpaceDev's Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock rank senior to the common stock with respect to dividends and liquidation and have other important preferred rights.

WE MAY NOT SUCCESSFULLY OR TIMELY DEVELOP PRODUCTS.

Many of our products and technologies (including our hybrid rocket technology) are currently under various stages of development. Further development and testing of our products and technologies will be required to prove additional performance capability beyond current levels and to confirm commercial viability. Additionally, the final cost of development cannot be determined until development is complete. Our ongoing and future product development will depend, in part, on the ability to timely complete our projects within estimated cost parameters and ultimately deploy the product in a cost-effective manner. In addition, Starsys has contracted to execute development programs under fixed price contracts. Under these contracts, even if our costs begin to exceed the amount to be paid by the customer under the contract, we are required to complete the contract without receiving any additional payments from the customer. It is difficult to predict accurately the total cost of executing these programs. If the costs to complete these programs significantly exceed the payments from the customers under the contracts, our results of operations will be harmed.

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THE MARKETPLACE FOR OUR TECHNOLOGY AND PRODUCTS IS UNCERTAIN.

The demand for our technology, products and services is uncertain and we may not obtain a sufficient market share to sustain our business or to increase profitability. Our business plan assumes that near-term revenues will be generated largely from government contracts for microsatellites and electromechanical systems for spacecraft with a long-term commercial market developing for private manned and unmanned space exploration. Microsatellites and commercial space exploration are still relatively new concepts, and it is difficult to predict accurately the ultimate size of the market. In addition, we are developing new product areas such as large deployable structures, solar array drives, slip rings and precision scanning assemblies for spacecraft. Many of our products and services are new and unproven, and the true level of customer demand is uncertain. Lack of significant market acceptance of our products and services, delays in such acceptance, or failure of our markets to develop or grow could negatively affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

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IF WE ARE UNSUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING AND MAINTAINING COMPLIANCE WITH OUR REGISTRATION OBLIGATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE CONVERTIBLE NOTE AND LAURUS WARRANT, THE PREFERRED STOCK OR OTHER WARRANTS ISSUED TO LAURUS, WE MAY INCUR SUBSTANTIAL MONETARY PENALTIES.

The agreements we entered into, in connection with our issuance of the Convertible Note, Preferred Stock, and warrants to Laurus, require us to, among other things, register for resale the shares of common stock issued or issuable under the note, upon conversion of the Preferred Stock and warrants and maintain the effectiveness of the registration statement for an extended period of time. We are subject to liquidated damage assessment of 2% of the outstanding principal amount of the note and 1.5% for the stated value of the Preferred Stock for each thirty (30) days of non-compliance thereafter, subject to pro ration for partial months. If we are unable to obtain and maintain effectiveness of the required registration statement, then we may be required to pay additional liquidated damages, to the extent that any amounts are drawn under the Convertible Note, which could adversely affect our business, operating results, financial condition, and ability to service our other indebtedness by negatively impacting our cash flows.

OUR LIMITED OPERATING HISTORY AND LACK OF EXPERIENCE IN OUR NEW OR PROPOSED LINES OF BUSINESS MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO PREDICT OUR FUTURE SUCCESS.

We have a limited operating history and, as a result, our historical financial information is of limited value in projecting our future success in these markets. We launched our first micro-satellite, CHIPSat, in January 2003 and, in June, September and October, 2004, our hybrid rocket technology was first utilized in connection with SpaceShipOne. We hope to sell an increasing percentage of SpaceDev's products and services in commercial markets, but virtually all of SpaceDev's historical work has been from government contracts and government-related work. We recently announced our intention to enter the launch services market by providing a microsat bus, integration services, and a launch vehicle as a package. We will be dependent on the performance of Space Exploration Technologies, a small company with limited operating history which has not yet had a successful launch, for our first launch vehicle. Our microsatellites, nanosatellites and launch services may not achieve market acceptance, and our future prospects are therefore difficult to evaluate. As a result, we have limited or no operating histories in each of these new or proposed lines of business. Therefore, our historical financial information is of limited value in projecting our future success in these

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markets.

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OUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES ARE TECHNOLOGICALLY ADVANCED AND MAY NOT FUNCTION UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Most of our products are technologically advanced and tested, but sometimes are not space qualified for performance under demanding operating conditions. Even though we believe that we employ sophisticated design, manufacturing, and testing practices, there can be no assurance that our products will be successfully launched or operated or that they will be developed or will perform as intended. Like most organizations that have launched satellite programs, we will likely experience some product and service failures, schedule delays, and other problems in connection with our products in the future. Our products and services are and will continue to be subject to significant technological change and innovation. Our success will generally depend on our ability to penetrate and retain markets for our existing products and services and to continue to conceive, design, manufacture and market new products and services on a cost-effective and timely basis. We anticipate that we will incur significant expenses in the design and initial manufacture and marketing of new products and services. There can be no assurance that we will be able to achieve the technological advances necessary to remain competitive and profitable, that new products and services will be developed and manufactured on schedule and on a cost-effective basis, that anticipated markets will exist or develop for new products or services, or that our existing products and services will not become technologically obsolete.

A FAILURE TO LAUNCH COULD CAUSE SERIOUS ADVERSE EFFECTS.

Although our current \$43,362,271 contract with the Missile Defense Agency is a cost-plus agreement, which shifts the monetary risk of failure to the buyer, a launch failure could adversely affect our cash flow, since a large portion of customer payments is often contingent upon a successful launch. A single launch failure of one of our microsatellites could have serious adverse effects on our business. Micro-satellite launches are subject to significant risks, including causing disabling damage to or loss of a micro-satellite. Delays in the launch could also adversely affect our revenues as a customer may have timing requirements for milestone payments or we may have guarantee requirements. Delays could be caused by a number of factors, including designing, constructing, integrating, or testing the micro-satellite, micro-satellite components, or related ground systems; delays in receiving the license necessary to operate the micro-satellite systems; delays in obtaining the customer's payload; delays related to the launch vehicle; weather; and other events beyond our control. Delays and the perception of potential delay could negatively affect our marketing efforts. There is no assurance that we will be able to launch micro-satellites on a timely basis and any delays in the launch could have a material adverse effect on our financial position.

OUR EXPANSION INTO NEW LINES OF BUSINESS MAY DIVERT MANAGEMENT'S ATTENTION FROM OUR EXISTING OPERATIONS AND PROVE TO BE TOO COSTLY.

Our current business plan contemplates the migration of our technology from projections into products for micro-satellites and hybrid rocket motors over the next several years. In the meantime, we are investigating other applications of our technology and other markets for our products. Our expansion into new lines of business may be difficult for us to manage because they may involve different disciplines and require different expertise than our core businesses. Consequently, this expansion may distract management's time and attention away from our core business, and we may need to incur significant expenses in order to develop the expertise and reputation we desire, which could

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prevent us from generating revenues from these lines of business in amounts sufficient to justify the expenses we incur in operating them.

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OUR SUCCESS DEPENDS ON OUR ABILITY TO RETAIN OUR KEY PERSONNEL.

Our success is dependent upon the efforts of certain key members of our management and engineering team, including our chairman and chief technology officer, James W. Benson, our chief executive officer and vice-chairman, Mark N. Sirangelo, our president and chief financial officer, Richard B. Slansky, our vice president of engineering, Frank Macklin and our vice president of business development and projects, Randall K. Simpson, the managing director of SpaceDev, Scott Tibbitts, the president of Starsys, Robert Vacek, and certain other SpaceDev and Starsys personnel. Each of these individuals has substantial prior business experience and we have added other experienced key personnel to our staff. The loss of any of these persons could have a material adverse effect on us if suitable replacements are not found. Our future success is likely to depend substantially on our continued ability to attract and retain highly qualified personnel. The competition for such personnel is intense, and our inability to attract and retain such personnel could have a material adverse effect on us. We do not have current key man life insurance on any of our key personnel.

One device we have historically used to enhance our ability to retain and incentivize key personnel is the grant of stock options which are subject to vesting. If the employee leaves us before the vesting period has been completed, he must forfeit a portion of the stock options. In December 2005, in order to avoid adverse financial reporting effects in future years under a new accounting standard, we eliminated all future vesting requirements on all of our 8,031,036 stock options then outstanding in the hands of employees, officers, and directors.

THE U.S. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY INCREASE REGULATION, WHICH COULD MATERIALLY ADVERSELY AFFECT OUR BUSINESS.

Our business activities are regulated by various agencies and departments of the U.S. federal government and, in certain circumstances, the governments of other countries. Several government agencies, including NASA and the U.S. Air Force, maintain Export Control Offices to ensure that any disclosure of scientific and technical information complies with the Export Administration Regulations and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations ("ITAR"). Exports of our products, services and technical information require either Technical Assistance Agreements, manufacturing license agreements or licenses from the U.S. Department of State depending on the level of technology being transferred. This includes recently published regulations restricting the ability of U.S. based companies to complete offshore launches, or to export certain satellite components and technical data to any country outside the United States. The export of information with respect to ground-based sensors, detectors, high-speed computers, and national security and missile technology items are controlled by the Department of Commerce. The government is very strict with respect to compliance and has served notice that failure to comply with the ITAR and/or the Commerce Department regulations may subject guilty parties to fines of up to US\$1 million and/or up to 10 years imprisonment per violation. Failure to comply with any of the above mentioned regulations could have serious adverse effects as dictated by the rules associated with compliance to the ITAR regulations. Our conservative position is to consider any material beyond standard marketing material to be regulated by ITAR regulations.

In addition to the standard local, state and national government regulations that all businesses must adhere to, the space industry has specific

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regulations. Command and telemetry frequency assignments for space missions are regulated internationally by the International Telecommunications Union ("ITU"). In the United States, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the National Telecommunications Information Agency ("NTIA") regulates command and telemetry frequency assignments. All launch vehicles that are launched from a launch site in the United States must pass certain launch range safety regulations that are administered by the U.S. Air Force. In addition, all commercial space launches that we would perform require a license from the

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Department of Transportation. Satellites that are launched must obtain approvals for command and frequency assignments. For international approvals, the FCC and NTIA obtain these approvals from the ITU. These regulations have been in place for a number of years to cover the large number of non-government commercial space missions that have been launched and put into orbit in the last 15 to 20 years. Any commercial deep space mission that we would perform would be subject to these regulations. We are well aware of these. At the present time, we are not aware of any additional or unique government regulations related to commercial space missions.

We are also subject to laws and regulations regulating the formation, administration and performance of, and accounting for, U.S. government contracts. With respect to such contracts, any failure to comply with applicable laws could result in contract termination, price or fee reductions, penalties, suspension or debarment from contracting with the U.S. government.

We are also required to obtain permits, licenses, and other authorizations under federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations relating to the environment. Our failure to comply with applicable law or government regulations, including any of the above-mentioned regulations, could have serious adverse effects on our business.

Also, as some of our projects with the Department of Defense proceed, we may need special clearances to continue working on and advancing our projects. Classified programs generally will require that we comply with various Executive Orders, Federal laws and regulations and customer security requirements that may include specialized facilities and restrictions on how we develop, store, protect and share information. Laboratories, manufacturing and assembly areas, meeting spaces, office areas, storage areas, computers systems and networks and telecommunications systems may require modification or replacement in order to comply with customer requirements. Classified programs may require our employees to obtain government clearances and restrict our ability to have key employees work on these programs until these clearances are received from the appropriate United States government agencies. In order to staff these programs we may need to recruit personnel with the appropriate professional training, experience and security clearances. There are a very limited number of individuals with all of the requirements that we seek. There is no assurance that we can locate and recruit these individuals in a timely and cost-effective manner. We may be required to modify existing facilities and to develop new facilities and capabilities that will only be utilized by these classified programs. We may be required to install computer networks, communications systems and monitoring systems that are dedicated to these classified programs. Some or all of these requirements may entail substantial additional expense. It is uncertain whether we will be able to recover any of the costs of these systems from our customers. Many of these classified programs are regulated by Executive Orders, various Federal laws and regulations and customer requirements. The failure of the Company to comply with any of the foregoing Executive Orders, Federal laws and regulations and customer requirements could have serious adverse effects. Also, our ability to successfully market and sell into the Department of Defense markets may be severely hampered if we are unable to meet classified program

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requirements. There is no assurance that we will be able to successfully pass the criteria required in order to win a classified program or to maintain current contracts, such as our Missile Defense Agency contract (which may become classified), and there is no assurance that we will maintain that status once it has been obtained. This year we began an active program to complete the steps required in order to win preliminary certification for classified programs. A number of our employees have received preliminary and permanent security clearances. We received preliminary certification for classified computer system processing in early 2005.

Our failure to comply with any of the above-mentioned regulations could have serious adverse effects.

OUR STOCK PRICE HAS BEEN AND MAY CONTINUE TO BE VOLATILE, WHICH COULD RESULT IN SUBSTANTIAL LOSSES FOR INVESTORS PURCHASING SHARES OF OUR COMMON STOCK.

The market prices of securities of technology-based companies like ours particularly in industries (also like ours) where substantial value is ascribed to a hope for future increase in the size of the total market, are often highly volatile. The market price of our common stock has fluctuated significantly in the past. In fact, during the 52-week period ended April 3, 2006, the high and low closing price of a share of our common stock was \$1.75 and \$1.15, respectively. Our market price may continue to exhibit significant fluctuations in response to a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include, among others, deviations in our results of operations from estimates, changes in estimates of our financial performance, changes in market valuations of similar companies and stock market price and volume fluctuations generally, announcement of funding, contract, and launch dates by us or our competitors; corporate partner affiliations; changes in the regulatory environment; technical performance of our products; market acceptance of our products and services; variations in our operating results; changes in reports of securities analysts; and publicity regarding the industry or the Company. In addition, the stock market in recent years has experienced broad price and volume fluctuations that often have been unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies, which may adversely affect the market price of the shares of Common Stock.

OUR NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYFORWARDS MAY BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL LIMITATION ON THEIR UTILIZATION, WHICH MAY INCREASE OUR TAXES AND DECREASE AFTER-TAX INCOME AND CASH FLOWS.

We had a net deferred tax asset of approximately \$2,127,000 and \$2,350,000 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively, which consisted primarily of the income tax benefits from net operating loss and capital loss carryforwards, amortization of deferred gain on sale of building and research and development credits. Deferred income taxes represent temporary differences in recognizing certain income and expense items for financial and tax reporting purposes. A valuation allowance has been recorded to fully offset the deferred tax asset as it is more likely than not that the assets will not be utilized. The valuation allowance decreased from \$2,318,000 at December 31, 2004 to \$2,075,000 at December 31, 2005.

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We had federal and state tax net operating loss and capital loss carryforwards of approximately \$4,214,000 and \$1,608,000 at December 31, 2005 respectively. The federal tax loss carryforwards will expire in 2023 and the state tax loss carryforwards will expire in 2013, unless previously utilized. The State of California suspended the utilization of net operating loss for 2002 and 2003, and limited them for 2004.

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THE CONCENTRATION OF OWNERSHIP OF OUR COMMON STOCK GIVES A FEW INDIVIDUALS SIGNIFICANT CONTROL OVER IMPORTANT POLICY DECISIONS AND COULD DELAY OR PREVENT CHANGES IN CONTROL.

As of March 3, 2006, our executive officers and directors together beneficially owned approximately 50.5% of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock. As a result, these persons have the ability to exert significant control over matters that could include the election of directors, changes in the size and composition of the board of directors, and mergers and other business combinations involving us. In addition, through control of the board of directors and voting power, they may be able to control certain decisions, including decisions regarding the qualification and appointment of officers, dividend policy, access to capital (including borrowing from third-party lenders and the issuance of additional equity securities), and the acquisition or disposition of our assets. In addition, the concentration of voting power in the hands of those individuals could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our company, even if the change in control would benefit our stockholders. A perception in the investment community of an anti-takeover environment at our company could cause investors to value our stock lower than in the absence of such a perception.

OUR COMPETITIVE POSITION WILL BE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED IF WE CANNOT PROTECT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN OUR TECHNOLOGY.

Our success, in part, depends on our ability to obtain and enforce intellectual property protection for our technology. We rely on a combination of patents, trade secrets and contracts to establish and protect our proprietary rights in our technology. However, we may not be able to prevent misappropriation of our intellectual property, and the agreements we enter into may not be enforceable. In addition, effective intellectual property protection may be unavailable or limited in some foreign countries.

There is no guarantee any patent will be issued on any patent application that we have filed or may file. Further, any patent that we may obtain will expire, and it is possible that it may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented. If we do not secure and maintain patent protection for our technology and products, our competitive position will be significantly harmed because it will be much easier for competitors to sell products similar to ours. Alternatively, a competitor may independently develop or patent technologies that design around our patented technology. In addition, it is possible that any patent that we may obtain may not provide adequate protection and our competitive position could be significantly harmed.

As we expand our product line or develop new uses for our products, these products or uses may be outside the scope of our current patent applications, issued patents, and other intellectual property rights. In addition, if we develop new products or enhancements to existing products, there is no guarantee that we will be able to obtain patents to protect them. Even if we do receive patents for our existing or new products, these patents may not provide meaningful protection. In some countries outside of the United States, effective patent protection is not available. Moreover, some countries that do allow registration of patents do not provide meaningful redress for violations of patents. As a result, protecting intellectual property in these countries is difficult and our competitors may successfully sell products in those countries that have functions and features that infringe on our intellectual property.

We may initiate claims or litigation against third parties in the future for infringement of our proprietary rights or to determine the scope and validity of our proprietary rights or the proprietary rights of competitors. These claims could result in costly litigation and divert the efforts of our technical and management personnel. As a result, our operating results could

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suffer and our financial condition could be harmed, regardless of the outcome of the case.

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OUR ABILITY TO SOURCE AND OBTAIN COMPONENTS AND RAW MATERIALS COULD AFFECT OUR ABILITY TO SATISFY CUSTOMER ORDERS OR CONTRACTS.

We purchase a significant percentage of our product components, including structural assemblies, electronic equipment, and computer chips, from third parties. We also occasionally obtain from the U.S. Government parts and equipment that are used in the production of our products or in the provision of our services. We have not experienced material difficulty in obtaining product components or necessary parts and equipment and believe that alternative sources of supply would be available, although increased costs and possible delays could be incurred in securing alternative sources of supply.

OUR ABILITY TO OBTAIN ONLY LIMITED INSURANCE MAY NOT COVER ALL RISKS.

We may find it difficult to insure certain risks involved in our operations. Insurance market conditions or factors outside of our control at the time the insurance is purchased could cause premiums to be significantly higher than current estimates. Additionally, the U.S. Department of State has published regulations, which could significantly affect the ability of brokers and underwriters to place insurance for certain launches. These factors could cause other terms to be significantly less favorable than those currently available, may result in limits on amounts of coverage that we can obtain, or may prevent us from obtaining insurance at all. Furthermore, there is no assurance that proceeds from insurance that we are able to purchase will be sufficient to cover losses.

OUR GROWTH MAY NOT BE MANAGEABLE.

Even if we are successful in obtaining new business, failure to manage the growth could adversely affect our condition. We may experience extended periods of very rapid growth. This growth could place a significant strain on our management, operating, financial and other resources. Our future performance will depend in part on our ability to manage growth effectively including, but not limited to, recruiting engineering talent quickly and financing the increased costs associated with rapid growth. We must develop management information systems, including operating, financial, and accounting systems and expand, train, and manage employees to keep pace with growth. Our inability to manage growth effectively could negatively affect results of operations and the ability to meet obligations as they come due.

OUR BUSINESS COULD BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY TERRORIST ATTACKS.

Our business partially depends on activities regulated by various agencies and departments of the U.S. government and other companies that rely on the government. In the recent past, in response to terrorists' activities and threats aimed at the United States, transportation, mail, financial, and other services have been slowed or stopped altogether. Further delays or stoppages in transportation, mail, financial, or other services could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition. Furthermore, we may experience a small increase in operating costs, such as costs for transportation, insurance, and security as a result of the activities and potential activities. The U.S. economy in general has been adversely affected by the terrorist activities and potential activities, and any economic downturn could adversely impact our results of operations, impair our ability to raise capital, or otherwise adversely affect our ability to grow our business. Conversely, because of the nature of our products and services, there may be

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opportunities for us to offer solutions to the government that may address some of the problems that the country faces at this time.

WE COMPETE IN A MARKET THAT IS NEW AND INTENSELY COMPETITIVE.

We compete in markets that are new, intensely competitive and rapidly changing. We expect to experience increasing competition from potential competitors, many of which will have significantly greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources. Our competitors may be able to respond more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements than we can. Virtually all of the Company's products and services face significant competition from existing and potential competitors, many of whom are larger and have substantially greater resources than the Company. The Company's satellites and satellite subsystem products compete with products and services produced or provided by government entities and numerous private entities, including TRW Inc., Ball Aerospace and Technology Corporation, Lockheed-Martin, GM Hughes Electronics Corporation ("Hughes"), Orbital Sciences Corp., Spectrum Astro, Inc., Surrey Technologies and Matra Marconi.

RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ACQUISITIONS

We have historically made strategic acquisitions of businesses and routinely evaluates potential acquisition candidates that it believes would enhance its business. We have also historically pursued strategic alliances through joint ventures and routinely evaluates similar opportunities. Such transactions commonly involve certain risks including, among others, assimilating the acquired operations, technologies, and personnel and maintaining appropriate standards, controls, procedures, and policies, entering markets in which we have little or no direct prior experience, and potentially losing key employees of acquired organizations. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in overcoming these risks in connection with its recent acquisitions or any future transactions.

WE MAY NOT ADDRESS SUCCESSFULLY THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN CONNECTION WITH ACQUISITIONS, INCLUDING OUR 2006 ACQUISITION OF STARSYS.

We expect to consider opportunities to acquire or make investments in other technologies, products and businesses that could enhance our capabilities, complement our current products or expand the breadth of our markets or customer base. We have limited experience in acquiring other businesses and technologies; the Starsys acquisition was the first major acquisition we have consummated. Potential and completed acquisitions and strategic investments involve numerous risks, including:

- problems assimilating the purchased technologies, products or business operations;
- problems maintaining uniform standards, procedures, controls and policies;
- unanticipated costs associated with the acquisition;
- diversion of management's attention from our core business;
- adverse effects on existing business relationships with suppliers and customers;
- incompatibility of business cultures;
- risks associated with entering new markets in which we have no or limited prior experience;

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- potential loss of key employees of acquired businesses; and
- increased legal and accounting costs as a result of the newly adopted rules and regulations related to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

OUR COMPETITIVE POSITION WILL BE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED IF WE CANNOT PROTECT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN OUR TECHNOLOGY.

Our success, in part, depends on our ability to obtain and enforce intellectual property protection for our technology. We rely on a combination of patents, trade secrets and contracts to establish and protect our proprietary rights in our technology. However, we may not be able to prevent misappropriation of our intellectual property, and the agreements we enter into may not be enforceable. In addition, effective intellectual property protection may be unavailable or limited in some foreign countries.

There is no guarantee any patent will be issued on any patent application that we have filed or may file. Further, any patent that we may obtain will expire, and it is possible that it may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented. If we do not secure and maintain patent protection for our technology and products, our competitive position will be significantly harmed because it will be much easier for competitors to sell products similar to ours. Alternatively, a competitor may independently develop or patent technologies that design around our patented technology. In addition, it is possible that any patent that we may obtain may not provide adequate protection and our competitive position could be significantly harmed.

As we expand our product line or develop new uses for our products, these products or uses may be outside the scope of our current patent applications, issued patents, and other intellectual property rights. In addition, if we develop new products or enhancements to existing products, there is no guarantee that we will be able to obtain patents to protect them. Even if we do receive patents for our existing or new products, these patents may not provide meaningful protection. In some countries outside of the United States, effective patent protection is not available. Moreover, some countries that do allow registration of patents do not provide meaningful redress for violations of patents. As a result, protecting intellectual property in these countries is difficult and our competitors may successfully sell products in those countries that have functions and features that infringe on our intellectual property.

We may initiate claims or litigation against third parties in the future for infringement of our proprietary rights or to determine the scope and validity of our proprietary rights or the proprietary rights of competitors. These claims could result in costly litigation and divert the efforts of our technical and management personnel. As a result, our operating results could suffer and our financial condition could be harmed, regardless of the outcome of the case.

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MAINTENANCE OF RESALE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

We believe that this Reoffer Prospectus, which is part of our registration statement, may be used by the Selling Stockholders for the sale of the Shares offered hereby for a period of nine months after the date on the cover page hereof, provided that the information contained herein (including our financial statements) is not more than 16 months old from the date of such Reoffer Prospectus and we otherwise comply with applicable securities laws. We cannot

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assure you, however, that our registration statement will remain effective as we intend. The value of the Shares being offered by this Reoffer Prospectus could deteriorate if a current Reoffer Prospectus covering the Shares is not part of an effective registration statement, or if the Common Stock is not registered for sale or exempt from registration in the jurisdictions governing the sales made under this Reoffer Prospectus.

OUR COMMON STOCK INVESTORS MAY NOT RECEIVE DIVIDENDS.

We have not paid dividends since our inception and do not anticipate issuing common stock dividends in the foreseeable future. There can be no guarantee or assurance that common stock dividends will ever be paid. In fact, our goal is to reinvest earnings in an effort to complete development of our technologies and products, and to increase sales and long-term profitability and value. In addition, the revolving credit facility with Laurus or other bank lines of credit, which we may establish in the future or other credit or borrowing arrangements may contractually impact our ability to pay dividends to our shareholders.

OUR SHAREHOLDERS MAY EXPERIENCE DILUTION IF OUR OUTSTANDING WARRANTS AND OPTIONS ARE EXERCISED.

As of April 3, 2006 we are obligated to issue 9,776,177 shares of our common stock if all of our outstanding warrants are exercised and the preferred stock is converted. In addition, as of April 3, 2006, we have outstanding stock options to purchase an aggregate of 11,109,560 shares of our common stock, of which 10,462,560 are currently vested. The total number of shares which could be issued upon the exercise of currently vested warrants, options, and Preferred Stock (20,238,737 shares) represents approximately 71% of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock as of April 3, 2006. Shares of common stock issued as a result of the exercise of stock options will have a dilutive effect, which could be substantial, on the currently and then outstanding shares of common stock.

BECAUSE OUR STOCK IS SUBJECT TO THE SEC'S PENNY STOCK RULES, BROKER-DEALERS MAY EXPERIENCE DIFFICULTY IN COMPLETING CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS AND TRADING ACTIVITY IN OUR SECURITIES MAY BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED.

Transactions in SpaceDev common stock are currently subject to the "penny stock" rules promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Under these rules, broker-dealers who recommend SpaceDev securities to persons other than institutional accredited investors must:

- make a special written suitability determination for the purchaser;
- receive the purchaser's written agreement to a transaction prior to sale;
- provide the purchaser with risk disclosure documents which identify certain risks associated with investing in "penny stocks" and which describe the market for these "penny stocks" as well as a purchaser's legal remedies; and,
- obtain a signed and dated acknowledgment from the purchaser demonstrating that the purchaser has actually received the required risk disclosure document before a transaction in a "penny stock" can be completed.

As a result of these rules, broker-dealers may find it difficult to effectuate customer transactions and trading activity in our securities may be adversely affected. As a result, the market price of our securities may be depressed, and you may find it more difficult to sell our securities.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the

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Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. We intend that those forward-looking statements be subject to the safe harbors created by those sections. These forward-looking statements generally include the plans and objectives of management for future operations, including plans and objectives relating to our future economic performance, and can generally be identified by the use of the words "believe," "intend," "plan," "expect," "forecast," "project," "may," "should," "could," "seek," "pro forma," "estimates," "continues," "anticipate" and similar words. The forward-looking statements and associated risks may include, relate to, or be qualified by other important factors, including, without limitation:

- our ability to return to profitability and obtain additional working capital, if required;
- our ability to successfully implement our future business plans;
- our ability to attract strategic partners, alliances and advertisers;
- our ability to hire and retain qualified personnel;
- the risks of uncertainty of trademark protection;

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risks associated with existing and future governmental regulation to which we are subject; and, uncertainties relating to economic conditions in the markets in which we currently operate and in which we intend to operate in the future.

These forward-looking statements necessarily depend upon assumptions and estimates that may prove to be incorrect. Although we believe that the assumptions and estimates reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee that we will achieve our plans, intentions or expectations. The forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to differ in significant ways from any future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. We do not undertake to update, revise or correct any forward-looking statements.

Any of the factors described above or in the "Risk Factors" section above could cause our financial results, including our net income (loss) or growth in net income (loss) to differ materially from prior results, which in turn could, among other things, cause the price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially.

SELLING SECURITY HOLDERS

Laurus may sell, from time to time under this prospectus, up to an aggregate of 2,018,182 shares of our common stock consisting of up to 1,818,182 shares of our common stock, representing 100% of the shares that may become issuable upon conversion of the principal of and interest on the Convertible Note at the fixed conversion price of \$0.55 per share and up to 200,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of the Laurus Warrant. Laurus may convert principal and interest on the Convertible Note into our common stock only to the extent that there are amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility described under "Description of Business - The Laurus Master Fund Ltd. Revolving Credit Facility" below and only if we have not repaid the outstanding amounts before Laurus exercises its conversion rights.

As of December 31, 2004, Laurus had converted the 1,818,182 shares under the revolving credit facility. Furthermore, after the initial conversion by Laurus of the first 1,818,182 shares, Laurus has a continuing right to convert, to the extent that we draw funds on the credit facility and have not repaid those funds, based on a fair market value formula specified in the agreement.

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As of the date of this Prospectus, we had not drawn any additional funds under the revolving credit facility; and, therefore, no further conversion under the revolving credit facility have occurred.

The following table sets forth, to our knowledge, certain information about Laurus as of March 3, 2006. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and includes voting or investment power with respect to the securities. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a holder and the percentage ownership of that holder, shares of common stock subject to options or warrants or underlying convertible notes held by that holder that are currently exercisable or convertible or are exercisable or convertible within 60 days after the date of the table are deemed outstanding. To our knowledge, Laurus has sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by it, except that Laurus Capital Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, may be deemed a control person of the shares owned by Laurus. David Grin and Eugene Grin are the principals of Laurus Capital Management, LLC. The address for Messrs. David Grin and Eugene Grin is 152 West 57th Street, New York, NY 10019.

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Percentage of beneficial ownership is based on 28,170,516 shares of common stock outstanding as of April 6, 2006. Actual ownership of the shares is subject to conversion of the Convertible Note and exercise of the Warrant.

Name Of Selling Stockholder	Shares Owned Prior To This Offering	Percentage	Total Number Of Shares To Be Offered For Selling Shareholders Account	Total Shares to Be Owned Upon Completion of This Offering (1)
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LAURUS MASTER FUND, LTD.	2,814,234 (2)	9.99% (2)	200,000	2,614,234

(1) The amount assumes the sale of all shares being offered under this prospectus.

(2) Under the terms of the certificate of designations for the Series D Preferred Stock and the warrants issued in the January 2006 private placement, holders of such Series D Preferred Stock and warrants may not convert their Series D Preferred Stock into common stock, or exercise such warrants, to the extent that, after giving effect to any such conversion or exercise, the holder would beneficially own more than 4.99% (or for holders of greater than 4.99%, the limitation is set at 9.99%) of our outstanding common stock. In addition, the terms of the certificate of designations for the Series C Preferred Stock and other warrants held by Laurus similarly limit conversions and exercises to the extent that, after giving effect to any such conversion or exercise, Laurus would beneficially own more than 4.99% of our outstanding common stock.

As of April 3, 2006, all other selling security holders named in this

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prospectus have exercised their warrants on our common stock through this prospectus, subject private placement that was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) and Rule 506 of the Securities Act of 1933.

The following table sets forth, as of the date of this prospectus, the equivalent information for each other selling security holder.

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Name Of Selling Stockholder	Shares Owned Prior To This Offering	Total Number Of Shares To Be Offered For Selling Shareholders Account	Total Shares to Be Owned Upon Completion of This Offering	Percentage of Shares Owned Upon Completion of This Offering
Charles H. Lloyd . . (1)	50,000	0	50,000	*
Lunar Enterprises. . .	133,334	0	66,667	*
Craig Haffner. . . .	66,666	0	66,666	*
Alex Duncan.	95,166	0	95,166	*
Arthur Benson. . . . (2)	128,470	0	128,470	*
Curt Dean Blake. . . (3)	61,224	0	61,224	*
John Gross	61,224	0	61,224	*
Edward Cuthbert. . .	102,040	0	102,040	*
J. Mark Grosvenor. . (4)	1,330,376	0	1,330,376	2.95%
Christopher McKellar (5)	392,158	0	392,158	*
	----- 2,420,658 -----	----- 0 -----	----- 2,353,991 -----	

* Percentage owned is less than 1%.

(1) Mr. Lloyd acted as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer of SpaceDev, Inc., and Chief Executive Officer of Integrated Space Systems, Inc., our wholly owned subsidiary, during the period from November 1999 to June 2002. In addition to the Warrants, shares owned by Mr. Lloyd prior to this offering include 25,000 shares of our common stock.

(2) Mr. Arthur Benson is the brother of our Chief Technology Officer, James W. Benson. In addition to the Warrants, shares owned by Arthur Benson prior to this offering include 64,235 shares of our common stock.

(3) Mr. Blake is a current member of our Board of Directors, and owns 61,224 shares of which, 30,612 warrants were represented in this offering.

(4) In addition to the Warrants, shares owned by Mr. Grosvenor prior to this offering include 1,330,376 shares of our common stock.

(5) Mr. McKellar is the owner of our principal business facilities. Upon sale of the building to Mr. McKellar, we executed a leaseback of the building for a term of 10 years. In addition to the Warrants, shares owned by Mr. McKellar prior to this offering include 392,158 shares of our common stock.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling security holders, and any of their donees, pledgees, assignees and other successors-in-interest, may, from time to time, sell any or all of their shares of common stock being offered under this prospectus on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in

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private transactions. These sales, which may include block

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transactions, may be at fixed or negotiated prices. The selling security holders may use any one or more of the following methods when selling shares:

- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resales by the broker-dealer for its own account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling security holder to sell a specified number of shares at a stipulated price per share; a combination of any of these methods of sale; or
- any other method permitted by applicable law, except that Laurus has agreed that it has not engaged and will not engage or cause, advise, ask or assist any person or entity, directly or indirectly, or engage, in short sales of our common stock, which are contracts for the sale of shares of stock that the seller does not own, or certificates which are not within the seller's control, so as to be available for delivery at the time when, under applicable rules, delivery must be made.

The sale price to the public may be:

- the market price prevailing at the time of sale;
- a price related to the prevailing market price;
- at negotiated prices; or
- a price the selling security holder determines from time to time.

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling security holders may arrange for other broker-dealers to participate in sales. Broker-dealers may receive commissions or discounts from the selling security holder (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling security holder does not expect these commissions and discounts to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved.

The selling security holders and any broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the shares may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with these sales. Commissions received by these broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. Any broker-dealers or agents that are not deemed to be underwriters may not sell shares offered under this prospectus

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unless and until we set forth the names of the underwriters and the material details of their underwriting arrangements in a supplement to this prospectus

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or, if required, in a replacement prospectus included in a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

In the event sales are made to broker-dealers as principals, we would be required to file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. In such post-effective amendment, we would be required to disclose the names of any participating broker-dealers and the compensation arrangements relating to such sales. In addition, if any shares of common stock or warrants offered for sale pursuant to this prospectus are transferred, subsequent holders could not use this prospectus until a post-effective amendment is filed, naming such holder.

The selling security holders, alternatively, may sell all or any part of the shares offered under this prospectus through an underwriter. To our knowledge, the selling security holders have not entered into any agreement with a prospective underwriter, and we cannot assure you as to whether any such agreement will be entered into. If any selling security holder informs us that it has entered into such an agreement or agreements, any material details will be set forth in a supplement to this prospectus or, if required, in a replacement prospectus included in a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

This prospectus does not cover the sale or other transfer of the Convertible Note, the Laurus Warrant or the Warrants. If the selling security holders transfer any such securities prior to conversion or exercise, the transferee of those derivative securities may not sell the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion or exercise of those derivative securities under the terms of this prospectus unless we amend or supplement this prospectus to cover such sales.

For the period a holder holds the Convertible Note and/or the Laurus Warrant, with respect to Laurus, or the Warrants, with respect to all other selling security holders, the holder has the opportunity to profit from a rise in the market price of our common stock. The terms on which we could obtain additional capital during the period in which those derivative securities remain outstanding may be adversely affected. The holders of the derivative securities are most likely to voluntarily convert or exercise those derivative securities when the conversion price or exercise price is less than the market price for our common stock. However, we cannot assure you as to whether any of those derivative securities will be converted or exercised.

We have agreed with Laurus to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part effective until the earlier of three years or the termination of the Securities Purchase Agreement.

All costs, expenses and fees incurred in connection with the registration of the selling security holders' shares will be borne by us. All brokerage commissions, if any, attributable to the sale of shares by selling security holders will be borne by selling security holders.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the shares of our common stock offered by Laurus or the other selling security holders under this prospectus. Upon exercise of the Warrant, we will receive proceeds from the Warrant holder; however, upon selling the common stock underlying the Secured

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Convertible Note and/or the Warrant, the selling security holder will receive all proceeds directly.

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DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto and the other financial information appearing elsewhere in this document. Readers are also urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made by us which attempt to advise interested parties of the factors which affect our business, including without limitation the disclosures made under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and in our General Registration Statement on Form 10SB12G/A filed January 28, 2000 and in our periodic reports, including our annual report filed on Form 10-KSB on March 29, 2005.

In addition to historical information, the following discussion and other parts of this document may contain forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or our future financial performance. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential," or "continue," the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements are only predictions.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Moreover, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this prospectus to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations.

Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, the level of sales to key customers; the economic conditions affecting our industry; actions by competitors; fluctuations in the price of raw materials; the availability of outside contractors at prices favorable to us; our dependence on single-source or a limited number of suppliers; our ability to protect our proprietary technology; market conditions influencing prices or pricing; an adverse outcome in potential litigation, claims and other actions by or against us, technological changes and introductions of new competing products; terrorist attacks or acts of war, particularly given the acts of terrorism against the United States on September 11, 2001 and subsequent military responses by the United States; mission disasters such as the loss of the space shuttle Columbia on February 1, 2003 during its re-entry into earth's atmosphere; ability to retain key personnel; changes in market demand; exchange rates; productivity; weather; and market and economic conditions in the areas of the world in which we operate and market our products.

GENERAL

SpaceDev, Inc. (the "Company," "SpaceDev," "we," "us" or "our") is engaged in the conception, design, development, manufacture, integration and operations

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of space technology systems, products and services. We are currently focused on the commercial development of low-cost micro-satellites, nano-satellites and related subsystems, hybrid rocket propulsion as well as the associated engineering technical services to government, aerospace and other commercial enterprises. Our products and solutions are sold directly to these customers and include sophisticated micro- and nano-satellites, hybrid rocket-based orbital Maneuvering and orbital Transfer Vehicles ("MTVs") as well as safe sub-orbital and orbital hybrid rocket-based propulsion systems. We are also developing commercial hybrid rocket motors and small high performance space vehicles and subsystems.

Starsys Research Corporation was acquired by SpaceDev on January 31, 2006 in a tax-free forward triangular merger, renamed Starsys, Inc., and is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of SpaceDev. Starsys is engaged in the design and manufacture of mechanical and electromechanical subsystems and components for spacecraft. Starsys' subsystems enable critical spacecraft functions such as pointing solar arrays and communication antennas and restraining, deploying and actuating moving spacecraft components. Starsys manufactures a wide range of products that include bi-axis gimbals, flat plate gimbals, solar array pointing mechanisms, deployable booms, separation systems, thermal louvers, actuators, restraint devices and cover systems. Starsys' products are sold both as "off-the-shelf" catalog products, which represent previously qualified devices with spaceflight history, and as custom systems that are developed for specific applications. Starsys' products are typically sold directly to spacecraft manufacturers. Starsys' customer base is segregated into three major segments: (1) domestic and international commercial spacecraft (communication and imaging satellites), (2) civil spacecraft (NASA) that are primarily scientific in nature and (3) defense spacecraft that support the United States' military capability. Starsys also offers products to non-space customers, including aerospace, maritime, and industrial customers.

Starsys' engineering and manufacturing capabilities position the company to provide both mechanical and electromechanical subsystems for spacecraft. Starsys' strategy is to identify opportunities to develop products from custom mechanical and electromechanical subsystems. To extend the product life cycle, Starsys has developed and expanded this "product platforms" business model. Product platforms are subsystems for which non-recurring and development engineering have been retired and for which there is continued customer demand. Starsys' product offerings currently include High Output Paraffin ("HOP") actuators, hinges, battery bypass switches, thermal louvers, bi-axial gimbals and solar array drives, among others. The product life cycle for this type of product within the space industry is approximately 15 years.

The acquisition of Starsys fundamentally changed our profile. Starsys is a mature operating company with 2005 revenues of approximately \$18 million and 2005 losses of approximately \$3.4 million. We believe there are numerous potential synergies between the historic SpaceDev business, and Starsys' business.

Our historic SpaceDev Business approach is to provide smaller spacecraft (generally 250 kg mass or less) and compatible small hybrid propulsion space systems to commercial, university and domestic government customers. We are developing smaller spacecraft and miniaturized subsystems using proven, lower cost, high-quality off-the-shelf components. Our space products are modular and reproducible, which allows us to create affordable space solutions for our customers. By utilizing our innovative technology and experience, and space-qualifying commercial industry-standard hardware, software and interfaces, we provide increased reliability at reduced costs.

We have been awarded, have successfully concluded or are successfully concluding contracts from such esteemed government, university and commercial

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customers as the Air Force Research Laboratory ("AFRL"), The Boeing Company, the California Space Authority ("CSA"), the Jet Propulsion Laboratory ("JPL"), Lockheed Martin, the National Reconnaissance Office ("NRO"), and the University of California at Berkeley ("UCB") via NASA.

We were incorporated under the laws of the State of Colorado on December 23, 1996 as Pegasus Development Group, Inc. ("PDGI"). SpaceDev, LLC of Colorado was originally formed in 1997 for commercial space exploration and was the sole owner of shares of common stock of SpaceDev (a Nevada corporation) ("SpaceDev"), formed on August 22, 1997. On October 22, 1997, PDGI issued 8,245,000 of its \$.0001 par value common stock for 100 percent (1,000,000 shares) of SpaceDev's common stock owned by SpaceDev, LLC. Upon the acquisition of the SpaceDev stock, SpaceDev was merged into PDGI and, on December 17, 1997, PDGI changed its name to SpaceDev, Inc. After the merger, SpaceDev, LLC, changed its name to SD Holdings, LLC on December 17, 1997. We became a publicly traded company in October 1997 and are trading on the NASD Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board ("OTCBB") under the symbol of "SPDV."

In February 1998, we acquired Integrated Space Systems, in San Diego. Most of the Integrated Space Systems employees were former commercial Atlas launch vehicle engineers and managers who worked for General Dynamics in San Diego. As SpaceDev employees, they primarily develop systems and products based on hybrid rocket motor technology and launch vehicle systems.

In August 1998, we acquired the patents and intellectual property produced by American Rocket Company ("AMROC"). The acquisition provided us access to a large cache of hybrid rocket documents, designs and test results. AMROC specialized in the design, development and testing of hybrid rocket technology (solid fuel plus liquid oxidizer) for small sounding rockets and launch vehicles.

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In late 1998, we bid and won a government-sponsored research and development contract, which was directly related to our strategic commercial space interests. We competed with seven other industry teams and we were one of five firms selected by JPL to perform a mission and spacecraft feasibility assessment study for the proposed 200-kg Mars MicroMissions. The final report was delivered to JPL in March 1999 and, as a result, we are now able to offer lunar and Mars commercial deep-space missions based on this innovative space system design.

In mid-1999, we won an R&D contract from the NRO to study small hybrid-based "micro" kick-motors for small-satellite orbital transfer applications. During the contract, we successfully developed three Secondary Payload Orbital Transfer Vehicle design concepts. We subsequently created a prototype, which led to the development of our capability to apply the Secondary Payload Orbital Transfer Vehicle concept to our subsequent Maneuvering and orbital Transfer Vehicle development programs.

In November 1999, we won a \$4.9 million mission contract by the Space Sciences Laboratory at the UCB. We were competitively selected to design, build, integrate, test and operate, for one year, a small NASA-sponsored scientific, Earth-orbiting spacecraft called CHIPSat. CHIPSat is the first and, to our knowledge, only successful mission of NASA's low-cost University-Class Explorer series to date. Due to additional NASA and customer reviews, additional work, schedule extensions and a fee for one year of satellite operations, the CHIPSat contract award was increased by approximately \$2.5 million in 2001 and 2002, bringing the total contract value for design, build, launch and operations to approximately \$7.4 million. CHIPSat launched as a secondary payload on a Delta-II rocket on January 12, 2003. CHIPSat is the world's first orbiting

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Internet node. The satellite achieved 3-axis stabilization with all individual components and systems successfully operating and continues to work well in orbit. The CHIPSat program generated approximately \$2.1 million, \$3.2 million, \$1.7 million, \$0.4 million and \$0.1 million of revenue in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

On March 22, 2000, the California Spaceport Authority and the California Space and Technology Alliance awarded us a grant of approximately \$100,000 to be used for test firing our hybrid rocket motors. California's Western Commercial Space Center also awarded us approximately \$200,000 to help build and equip its satellite and space vehicle manufacturing facilities. These capabilities were used to expand our project and technology base.

In July 2000, the National Reconnaissance Office granted us two separate follow-on competitive awards of approximately \$400,000 each for further hybrid rocket engine design, test, evaluation, and development. Our work for the National Reconnaissance Office has helped fund two innovative hybrid rocket motor potential products:

- family of small versatile orbital Maneuver and orbit Transfer Vehicles using clean, safe hybrid rocket propulsion technology; and,
- protoflight hybrid propulsion module for a 50-kg class micro- satellite.

Both of those contracts were successfully completed.

In September 2001, Scaled Composites awarded us a contract for a proprietary hybrid propulsion development program for Scaled's "SpaceShipOne," valued in excess of \$1 million. The entire contract, awarded upon the submitted designs, was valued at approximately \$2.2 million. The contract was indicative of an increased demand for our hybrid motor technology and expertise in the space industry. Work on this project generated approximately \$1.2 million and \$397,000 of revenue in 2002 and 2003, respectively. In September of 2003, SpaceDev was selected by Scaled Composites as the sole supplier of hybrid propulsions systems, and was awarded the follow-on SpaceShipOne propulsion contract. We generated approximately \$115,000 of revenue in 2003 and \$686,000 of revenue in 2004 from this contract and related engineering change orders, with approximately \$180,000 from engineering change orders and approximately \$506,000 from the contract.

On December 17, 2003, which corresponded with the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers flight, our hybrid propulsion system, which we believe is the world's largest of its kind, aboard SpaceShipOne, successfully powered a pilot toward space on its historic first powered supersonic flight. After being released by the White Knight, a carrier aircraft, the SpaceShipOne Test Pilot flew the ship to a stable, 0.55 mach gliding flight condition, started a pull-up, and fired our hybrid rocket motor. Nine seconds later, SpaceShipOne broke the sound barrier and continued its steep powered ascent. The climb was very aggressive, accelerating forward at more than 3-g while pulling upward at more than 2.5-g. At motor shutdown, 15 seconds after ignition, SpaceShipOne was climbing at a 60-degree angle and flying near 1.2 Mach (930 mph). The test pilot then continued the maneuver to a vertical climb, achieving zero speed at an altitude of 68,000 feet.

On June 21, 2004, our proprietary hybrid rocket motor technology successfully powered SpaceShipOne on its fourth and most important history-making flight to space. SpaceDev powered SpaceShipOne well beyond the 50 mile altitude required to be considered a space flight, and helped to create the world's first private sector astronaut. After being released by the White Knight, SpaceShipOne's test pilot, Mike Melvill, fired the rocket motor at the planned altitude and the rocket motor then propelled SpaceShipOne to over 328,000 feet in approximately 80 seconds, flying near Mach 5.0.

On September 29, 2004 and October 4, 2004, our hybrid propulsion technology helped propel Scaled Composites/Paul Allen's SpaceShipOne into space flight history as the craft garnered the \$10 Million Ansari X Prize, a contest created to stimulate the development of the private sector human space flight industry. We provided several critical components and the hybrid rocket technology for the craft's motor, including igniter, injector and main operating valve, which successfully performed as expected and powered SpaceShipOne on its historic manned flight. SpaceShipOne exceeded the altitude requirement on both scheduled flights as required by the Ansari X Prize competition. The hybrid propulsion system burned full duration and pilot Brian Binnie steered SpaceShipOne high above the Mojave, California desert to a height of 367,442 feet altitude (69.5 miles), which far exceeded the required 328,000 feet altitude - a sky-high goal required by the X Prize Foundation of St. Louis, Missouri.

Although we were not the recipient of the Ansari X Prize, it was a contest designed to jumpstart the space tourism industry through competition among the most talented entrepreneurs and rocket experts in the world. SpaceShipOne was built and launched with private funds from Paul Allen. The craft was able to carry equivalent weight of three people to 100 kilometers (62.5 miles) and return safely to earth. The competition followed in the footsteps of more than 100 aviation incentive prizes offered between 1905 and 1935 credited with spawning today's multibillion-dollar air transport industry. By helping SpaceShipOne succeed, we were instrumental in moving the private space community closer to realizing its vision of creating safe, affordable, commercial human space flight.

On April 30, 2002, we were awarded Phase I of a contract to develop a Shuttle-compatible propulsion module for the Air Force Research Laboratory. We received an award for Phase II of the contract on March 28, 2003. We are using the project to further expand our Maneuvering and Orbital Transfer Vehicle technology and product line to satisfy government space transportation requirements. The first two phases of the contract have an estimated value of approximately \$2.5 million, of which \$100,000 was awarded for Phase I. Phase II of the contract is cost-plus fixed fee. In order to complete Phase II, we requested and were granted approximately four months of additional time and approximately \$240,000 of additional funding, memorialized by a contract amendment executed on July 7, 2004. In addition to the Phase I and Phase II awards, there is an option worth approximately \$800,000, which was initiated on May 3, 2004. The additional funding to complete AFRL Phase II came in part from the original \$1 million option; thereby reducing the option to approximately \$800,000. An additional effort to develop a miniaturized Shuttle-compatible propulsion module has been added to this contract and is worth approximately \$150,000.

On July 9, 2003, we were awarded a contract by the Missile Defense Agency to explore the use of microsattellites in national missile defense. It was a precursor contract to the \$43 million contract mentioned below. Our microsattellites are operated over the Internet and are capable of pointing and tracking targets in space or on the ground. This study explored fast response microsattelite launch and commissioning; small, low-power passive sensors; target acquisition and tracking; formation flying and local area networking within a cluster of microsattellites; and an extension of our proven use of the Internet for on-orbit command, control and data handling. The contract was successfully concluded on February 27, 2004. The total contract value was \$800,000. This contract was considered an investigatory phase by MDA.

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Also, on July 9, 2003, we were awarded a Phase I Small Business Innovation Research contract by Air Force Research Lab to design and effectively begin the development of our small launch vehicle. The SpaceDev Small Launch Vehicle will be designed to responsively and affordably lift up to 1,000 pounds to Low Earth Orbit. The SpaceDev Small Launch Vehicle concept is based on a proprietary combination of technologies to increase the performance of hybrid rocket motor technology. Hybrid rocket motors are a combination of solid fuel and liquid oxidizer, and can be relatively safe, clean, non-explosive, and storable, and can be throttled, shut down and restarted. This contract was valued at approximately \$100,000, and was a fixed price, milestone-based agreement, which was completed in about one year. The Phase II of this SBIR was awarded on September 29, 2004 and is worth approximately \$1,557,000. The contract outlines the development and test firing of our large Common Core Booster for the SpaceDev Small Launch Vehicle. Congress has awarded us approximately \$3.0 million in additional funding for this project, which became available in late 2005. We believe that there is additional interest by Congress in providing further funding to expand and accelerate the scope of the work; however, there can be no assurance that such work will be awarded to us.

Also, on July 9, 2003, we were awarded a Phase I contract to develop micro and nanosatellite bus and subsystem designs. This Air Force Research Laboratory Small Business Innovation Research contract, valued at approximately \$100,000, has enabled us to explore the further miniaturization of our unique and innovative microsatellite subsystems. It has also enabled us to explore ways to reduce the time and cost to build small satellites through further standardization in order to help define de facto standards for payload hardware and software interfaces. The contract is fixed price, milestone-based and was completed in about one year. On August 23, 2004, we were awarded the Phase II of this Small Business Innovation Research grant, which was later amended on September 8, 2004 to shorten the length of the overall contract, worth approximately \$739,000 for carry-forward work.

On July 24, 2003, we were awarded a contract by Lunar Enterprise of California for a first phase project to begin developing a conceptual mission and spacecraft design for a lunar lander program. The unmanned mission is being designed to put a small dish antenna near the south pole of the Moon. From that location it will be in near-constant sunlight for solar power generation, and should be able to perform multi-wavelength astronomy while communicating with ground stations on Earth. The contract value was \$100,000 and was completed by November 2003. We were awarded a follow-on phase to further analyze launch opportunities, spacecraft design, trajectory possibilities, potential landing areas, available technologies for a small radio astronomy system, and communications and data handling requirements on July 20, 2004 in the amount of \$150,000. The contract has been completed.

On December 18, 2003, we were awarded a contract by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency for the study of Novel Satcom Microsat Constellation Deployment. The contract was a milestone-based, fixed price contract with total consideration of approximately \$200,000. On August 6, 2004, an additional \$39,849 was added to the contract for increased scope, bringing the total contract value on this fixed price effort to approximately \$240,000. The contract has been completed.

On March 31, 2004, we were awarded a five-year, cost-plus-fixed fee indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract for up to \$43,362,271 to conduct a microsatellite distributed sensing experiment, an option for a laser communications experiment, and other microsatellite studies and experiments as required in support of the Advanced Systems Deputate of the Missile Defense Agency. This effort will be accomplished in a phased approach, with the first Task Order for approximately \$1.1 million awarded on April 1, 2004 and completed by September 30, 2004. The second Task Order for approximately \$8.3 million was awarded on October 20, 2004. The principal place of performance will be Poway,

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California. We expect to complete the work under the contract before March 2009. Government contract funds will not expire at the end of the current government fiscal year. The microsatellite distributed sensing experiment is intended to design and build up to six responsive, affordable, high performance microsatellites to support national missile defense. The milestone-based, multiyear, multiphase contract had an effective start date of March 1, 2004. Approximately \$1.14 million of revenue was generated under the first phase of this contract. The first phase or "Task Order," resulted in a detailed mission and microsatellite design. The second Task Order, originally expected to be completed by January 2006, was extended at the request of the Missile Defense Agency, and was completed in late March 2006. The overall contract calls for us to analyze, design, develop, fabricate, integrate, test, operate and support a networked cluster of three formation-flying boost phase and midcourse tracking microsatellites, with an option to design, develop, fabricate, integrate, test, operate and support a second cluster of three formation flying microsatellites to be networked on-orbit with high speed laser communications technology. The third phase began on April 1, 2006.

On July 18, 2005, we were awarded a subcontract to provide scientific, engineering, development and programmatic support to the development and demonstration of innovative SSA (space situational awareness) nanosatellite
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