

GENCORP WELCOMES NASA ADMINISTRATOR CHARLES F. BOLDEN AT SACRAMENTO SITE

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Mr. Charles F. Bolden joined Aerojet Rocketdyne executives and employees at the company's Sacramento site on Monday, June 30. Mr. Bolden participated in meetings and toured the facility to see first-hand the work that is critical to producing the technology that NASA has relied on since the agency's inception in 1958, and that will power NASA's next generation missions.

Mr. Bolden and GenCorp Chief Executive Officer, Scott Seymour, then held a press conference with several media outlets in attendance. Mr. Bolden shared his sincere appreciation for all of the work that the company has done over the past 72 years in support of NASA and this country. He discussed his vision for deep space exploration and manned Mars missions, NASA's Space Launch System and Orion vehicles, as well as his passion for the agency's Asteroid Redirect Mission, which plans to identify, capture and redirect an asteroid to a stable orbit around the moon, where astronauts will study it in the 2020s.

Mr. Bolden went on to share his thoughts about how critical Aerojet Rocketdyne's role is not only to current missions, but also to the future of both manned and unmanned space exploration. He pointed out the company's achievements to manned space programs, including Mercury, Gemini and Apollo, as well as the space shuttle program, which flew 135 missions.

This was Mr. Bolden's first official visit to the company's Sacramento facility since being named NASA's 12th administrator in 2009. Mr. Bolden previously served as a member of the GenCorp board of directors from 2005 through 2008.

As a long-time space shuttle pilot who commanded two of four missions into space, Bolden also complimented Aerojet Rocketdyne for the company's strong commitment to engaging this country's youth to pursue studies in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). It is critical that this nation continue to encourage youth to pursue careers in STEM disciplines.

To view the Administrator's BIO, visit:

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From left:

Scott Seymour, GenCorp CEO

Charles F. Bolden, NASA Administrator

Warren Boley, Aerojet Rocketdyne President