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NORTHROP GRUMMAN MODIFIES PRORATION CALCULATION

FOR NEWPORT NEWS SHIPBUILDING TENDER OFFER

LOS ANGELES -- Dec. 10, 2001 -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) announced today that the previously reported proration calculation for shares electing cash in its completed offer for Newport News Shipbuilding (NYSE: NNS) has been modified as a result of final reconciliations. Pursuant to the proration provisions of the offer, each Newport News share electing cash in the offer will receive \$43.65 in cash and 0.2542 Northrop Grumman shares, excluding treatment of fractional shares.

In conjunction with the offer, Northrop Grumman also said that it will issue a total of 13,424,062 of its shares and will pay a total of \$511,581,719 in cash. Northrop Grumman will include these final reconciliations in its definitive information statement for the Newport News special meeting that will be held to approve the merger in order to complete the acquisition.

Northrop Grumman Corporation is an \$18 billion, global defense company with its worldwide headquarters in Los Angeles. Northrop Grumman provides technologically advanced, innovative products, services and solutions in defense and commercial electronics, systems integration, information technology and nuclear and non-nuclear shipbuilding and systems. With nearly 100,000 employees and operations in 44 states and 25 countries, Northrop Grumman serves U.S. and international military, government and commercial customers.

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ABILITY TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE IN A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE AND RAPIDLY CHANGING MARKETPLACE, AND THE OTHER RISKS DETAILED FROM TIME TO TIME IN EACH COMPANY'S PERIODIC REPORTS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, NORTHROP GRUMMAN'S REPORT ON FORM 10-K/A FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000.

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