



Ramon Sanchez Joins Firefly Aerospace as Chief Operating Officer

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Sanchez will oversee a broader scope as Firefly's COO including the company's day-to-day operations to support company growth

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Ramon Sanchez, newly appointed COO at Firefly Aerospace



CEDAR PARK, Texas, Dec. 11, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Firefly Aerospace](#) (Nasdaq: FLY), a market leading space and defense technology company, announced it has named Ramon Sanchez as its Chief Operating Officer to drive Firefly's production scaling and operational execution beginning December 22. In this position, Sanchez will be responsible for the company's day-to-day operations and ensuring Firefly continues to enhance safety, quality, and reliability in production of launch vehicles, lunar landers, and spacecraft product lines to meet customers' growing demands. Sanchez's appointment reinforces Firefly's commitment to operational excellence.

"Ramon has a proven track record of improving and upscaling complicated space production lines in heavy rockets, advanced missiles, and high-performance spacecraft constellations," said Jason Kim, CEO of Firefly Aerospace. "His operational experience in building cross-functional teams for diverse production systems, people leadership skills, and expertise in quality, engineering, manufacturing, and supply chain supporting end-to-end spaceflight is a valuable asset for Firefly."

Sanchez has more than two decades of experience in production operations for commercial, civil, and national security programs during his tenure at Boeing and is also an Army veteran. His extensive experience spans commercial, classified, and human spaceflight missions. Programs he stood up and enhanced production rate include heavy launch vehicles, space planes, small to large satellite constellations, advanced integrated space payloads, and precision guided missiles.

"It is an honor to be joining this team of Fireflies, as we partner for success where safety and quality of our teammates and

products are at the forefront of everything we do,” said Ramon Sanchez, incoming COO at Firefly Aerospace. “I look forward to building on the expertise of the team to drive factory stability, production harden systems, and execute on the commitments we’ve made to our shareholders and customers.”

Known for his ability to establish and enhance advanced space production lines, Sanchez will lead and ensure greater collaboration across key engineering, manufacturing, and reliability teams to innovate at scale across Firefly’s products and service offerings.

About Firefly Aerospace

Firefly Aerospace is a space and defense technology company that enables government and commercial customers to launch, land, and operate in space – anywhere, anytime. As the partner of choice for responsive space missions, Firefly is the only commercial company to launch a satellite to orbit with approximately 24-hour notice. Firefly is also the only company to achieve a fully successful landing on the Moon. Established in 2017, Firefly’s engineering, manufacturing, and test facilities are co-located in central Texas to enable rapid innovation. The company’s small- to medium-lift launch vehicles, lunar landers, and orbital vehicles are built with common flight-proven technologies to enable speed, reliability, and cost efficiencies for each mission from low Earth orbit to the Moon and beyond. For more information, visit www.fireflyspace.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements (including within the meaning of Section 21E of the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 27A of the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended). Statements included in this press release that are not statements of historical fact, including statements about our expectations, beliefs, plans, strategies, objectives, prospects, assumptions or future events or performance, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “might,” “objective,” “ongoing,” “plan,” “predict,” “project,” “potential,” “should,” “will,” “would,” or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology.

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