



## Rocket Lab Secures Latest Multi-Launch Contract with BlackSky for 4x Dedicated Electron Missions

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LONG BEACH, Calif., Feb. 26, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Rocket Lab USA, Inc. (Nasdaq: RKLB) ("Rocket Lab" or "the Company"), a global leader in launch services and space systems, today announced it has signed another multi-launch deal with real-time space-based intelligence company BlackSky Technology Inc. (NYSE: BKSJ) – further expanding Rocket Lab's service as the primary launch provider deploying BlackSky's advanced, AI-enabled Gen-3 Earth observation constellation.

The multi-launch deal secures four new dedicated Electron launches, bringing the total number of Electron launches for BlackSky since 2019 to 17, and making Rocket Lab the single most prolific launch provider to BlackSky globally. Rocket Lab's Advanced Lightband separation systems will be integrated into each mission, ensuring the safe on-orbit separation of their spacecraft from the rocket, and demonstrating vertically integrated synergy across Rocket Lab's launch and space systems businesses.

Rocket Lab founder and CEO, Sir Peter Beck, says: "Long-term partnerships like these are built on reliability and execution, and with Electron's stellar record and our team's sought-after launch service, we're proud to keep delivering streamlined access to space for BlackSky with these newly signed missions and upcoming launches already on contract."

BlackSky CEO, Brian O'Toole, says: "Rocket Lab's agile pre-launch integration support and precise orbital insertions have aided BlackSky's ability to deliver value with each launch. With BlackSky's rapid commissioning process customers no longer have to wait the months typically associated with traditional commissioning timelines to access capacity from newly launched on-orbit assets. This new contract with Rocket Lab will help increase Gen-3 on orbit capacity as we continue to provide our customers dependable, flexible access to timely space-based intelligence at disruptive speed, economics and clarity."

High demand from commercial, civil, and defense customers for dedicated Electron launch services continues in 2026 off the back of a record year of 21 launches in 2025.

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### About Rocket Lab

Rocket Lab is a leading space company that provides launch services, spacecraft, payloads and satellite components serving commercial, government, and national security markets. Rocket Lab's Electron rocket is the world's most frequently launched orbital small rocket; its HASTE rocket provides hypersonic test launch capability for the U.S. government and allied nations; and its Neutron launch vehicle in development will unlock medium launch for constellation deployment, national security and exploration missions. Rocket Lab's spacecraft and satellite components have enabled more than 1,700 missions spanning commercial, defense and national security missions including GPS, constellations, and exploration missions to the Moon, Mars, and Venus. Rocket Lab is a publicly listed company on the Nasdaq stock exchange (RKLB). Learn more at [www.rocketlabcorp.com](https://www.rocketlabcorp.com).

### Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We intend such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements contained in this press release other than statements of historical fact, including, without limitation, statements regarding our launch and space systems operations, launch schedule and window, safe and repeatable access to space, Neutron development, operational expansion and business strategy, are forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "potential," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect," "strategy," "future," "could," "would," "project," "plan," "target," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, though not all forward-looking statements use these words or expressions. These statements are neither promises nor guarantees, but involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements, including but not limited to the factors, risks and uncertainties included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025, as such factors may be updated from time to time in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), accessible on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](https://www.sec.gov) and the Investor Relations section of our website at <https://investors.rocketlabcorp.com> which could cause our actual results to differ materially from those indicated by

the forward-looking statements made in this press release. Any such forward-looking statements represent management's estimates as of the date of this press release. While we may elect to update such forward-looking statements at some point in the future, we disclaim any obligation to do so, even if subsequent events cause our views to change.