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## Jeff Greason Biography

Jeff Greason co-founded XCOR Aerospace in September 1999 and serves as President. XCOR is a privately held small business located in Mojave, California which designs, builds, and operates rocket engines and rocket-powered vehicles to government and private markets. XCOR has developed several generations of long-life, highly reusable rocket engines, a low cost piston pump for rocket propellants, and a proprietary composite material called NonBurnite. XCOR also built a manned reusable rocket aircraft, the EZ-Rocket, which flew 26 times without mishap and earned the point-to-point distance record for a rocket powered aircraft.

Mr. Greason was cited by Time magazine in 2001 as one of the “Inventors of the Year” for his work on the EZ-Rocket. Previously, he spent two years managing the propulsion team at the Rotary Rocket Company. There he built up the rocket engine development team, and led technical efforts in rocket engines. Prior to joining Rotary Rocket, Mr. Greason served as a technical manager at Intel Corporation.

In 1992, he received the Intel Achievement Award for his work developing a less expensive BiCMOS technology than competitors, which became the basis for the Pentium product line. Mr. Greason was responsible for the first chip design on each technology generation, and shortened the design cycle so those new chips were ready three months in advance. Mr. Greason holds 18 U.S. patents and has a BS degree in electrical engineering from the California Institute of Technology.

Mr. Greason is known as a strong advocate of the private sector space industry. Flights of the EZ Rocket in 2001 and 2002 accelerated efforts within the FAA to define the transition from aircraft regulation to launch vehicle regulation for suborbital vehicles. He worked closely with the FAA on this issue and testified before joint House/Senate subcommittee hearings on "Commercial Human Spaceflight" addressing that question.

Mr. Greason supervised an RLV launch license application with the FAA for XCOR that became the first “sufficiently complete” application for an RLV. XCOR was subsequently granted the second such license by the FAA in April 2004. Mr. Greason also supported the Mojave Airport on their successful application to be the first inland commercial launch site for reusable launch vehicles.

Mr. Greason and XCOR are currently working on a higher-performance successor to the EZ-Rocket for the newly formed Rocket Racing League. The team has also designed and tested a nontoxic LOX-methane workhorse engine for potential use on NASA's future vehicles, and performed work on a variety of other rocket propulsion research and development efforts.

Mr. Greason lives in Tehachapi, CA.