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Exhibit R-2, RDT&E Budget Item Justification: PB 2025 Air Force **Date:** March 2024

Appropriation/Budget Activity 3620F: <i>Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Space Force I BA 6: RDT&E Management Support</i>	R-1 Program Element (Number/Name) PE 1206398SF / <i>Space & Missile Systems Center - MHA</i>
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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
Total Program Element	-	13.962	13.694	12.867	0.000	12.867	13.134	13.410	13.692	13.979	Continuing	Continuing
664280: <i>SMC Civilian Pay</i>	-	13.962	13.694	12.867	0.000	12.867	13.134	13.410	13.692	13.979	Continuing	Continuing
Quantity of RDT&E Articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

The Space Systems Command (SSC) equips US and allied forces with operational space and missile systems, launch systems, and command and control infrastructure in support of global military and national security operations. SSC operates with over 6,300 people and an annual budget exceeding 6.4B providing joint warfighters navigation, communication, weather, warning, force application, and space control capabilities.

Program Element 1206398SF, Project: 664281 Space Systems Command - Major Headquarters Activities (MHA) was established to improve overall performance, strengthen business operations, and achieve efficiencies, effectiveness and cost savings that can be transferred to higher priority needs. PE adds approximately 83 acquisition professionals.

In FY 2024 \$13.962M is forecasted to expense for civilian pay expenses in this program element.

Space acquisition must respond with speed and agility to emerging adversary threats. SSC has transformed the organization and implementation of space acquisition to an enterprise approach, to increase innovation and resiliency, leveraging international, commercial, and mission partnerships, and managing program/project priorities according to an integrated unclassified/classified enterprise space architecture. Expanding the appropriate acquisition authorities and contract mechanisms to deliver capability sooner, SSC will strategically execute experimentation, prototyping, risk reduction, and other efforts to develop new or repurpose existing capabilities.

This program is in Budget Activity 6, RDT&E Management Support because this budget activity includes research, development, test and evaluation efforts and funds to sustain and/or modernize the installations or operations required for general research, development, test and evaluation.

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B. Program Change Summary (\$ in Millions)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total
Previous President's Budget	13.962	13.694	14.075	0.000	14.075
Current President's Budget	13.962	13.694	12.867	0.000	12.867
Total Adjustments	0.000	0.000	-1.208	0.000	-1.208
• Congressional General Reductions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Directed Reductions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Rescissions	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Adds	0.000	0.000			
• Congressional Directed Transfers	0.000	0.000			
• Reprogrammings	0.000	0.000			
• SBIR/STTR Transfer	0.000	0.000			
• Other Adjustments	0.000	0.000	-1.208	0.000	-1.208

Change Summary Explanation

FY 2025: decrease of \$1.208M for Civ Pay reprice.

C. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Title: SSC - Major Headquarters Activities	13.962	13.694	12.867
Description: Provide professional government civilian acquisition workforce in support of all Space Systems Command Headquarters Activities. Implement system resiliency and situational awareness necessary to operate in the contested space domain. Activities may include, but are not limited to SSC Staff support, studies, technical analysis, prototyping, etc.			
FY 2024 Plans: Provide professional government civilian acquisition workforce in support of all Space Systems Command Management Headquarters Activities.			
FY 2025 Plans: Provide professional government civilian acquisition workforce in support of all Space Systems Command Management Headquarters Activities.			
FY 2024 to FY 2025 Increase/Decrease Statement: FY 2025 decrease compared to FY 2024 due to civ pay reprice.			
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	13.962	13.694	12.867

D. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)

N/A

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Remarks

E. Acquisition Strategy

N/A