

# Re: Air Force Signs Off on SRB-CEV

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Kim Keller wrote:

> "Ed Kyle" <[edkyle99@xxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:edkyle99@xxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
> [news:1123908436.663883.31440@xx](mailto:news:1123908436.663883.31440@xx)  
>> How about the GAO's numbers?  
>> "<http://www.gao.gov/htext/d04778r.html>  
>>  
>> They say that EELV "Program and launch costs increased  
>> by about \$13.3 billion over the approved 2002 baseline  
>> estimate of \$18.8 billion". That's a 71% increase,  
>> over the original EELV contract when a straight EELV  
>> sold for something in the \$70 million range, which  
>> puts both straight EELV models up to the \$120 million  
>> plus range today. The GAO report says that the EELV  
>> program is getting close to costing as much as  
>> Titan IV.  
>>  
> Don't forget that prices will come down as orders go up. NASA has been  
> launching roughly four space science missions per year on Delta II. Take  
> those orders and insert them in the EELV companies' order books and see what  
> the price drops to.

Since the EELVs duplicate each other's capabilities  
and not those of Delta II, why not keep Delta II  
and drop one of the EELVs instead? I bet DoD  
would save a lot more cash that way.

- Ed Kyle

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