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Resources in the cislunar marketplace

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# Transportation & Resources in the Cislunar Marketplace

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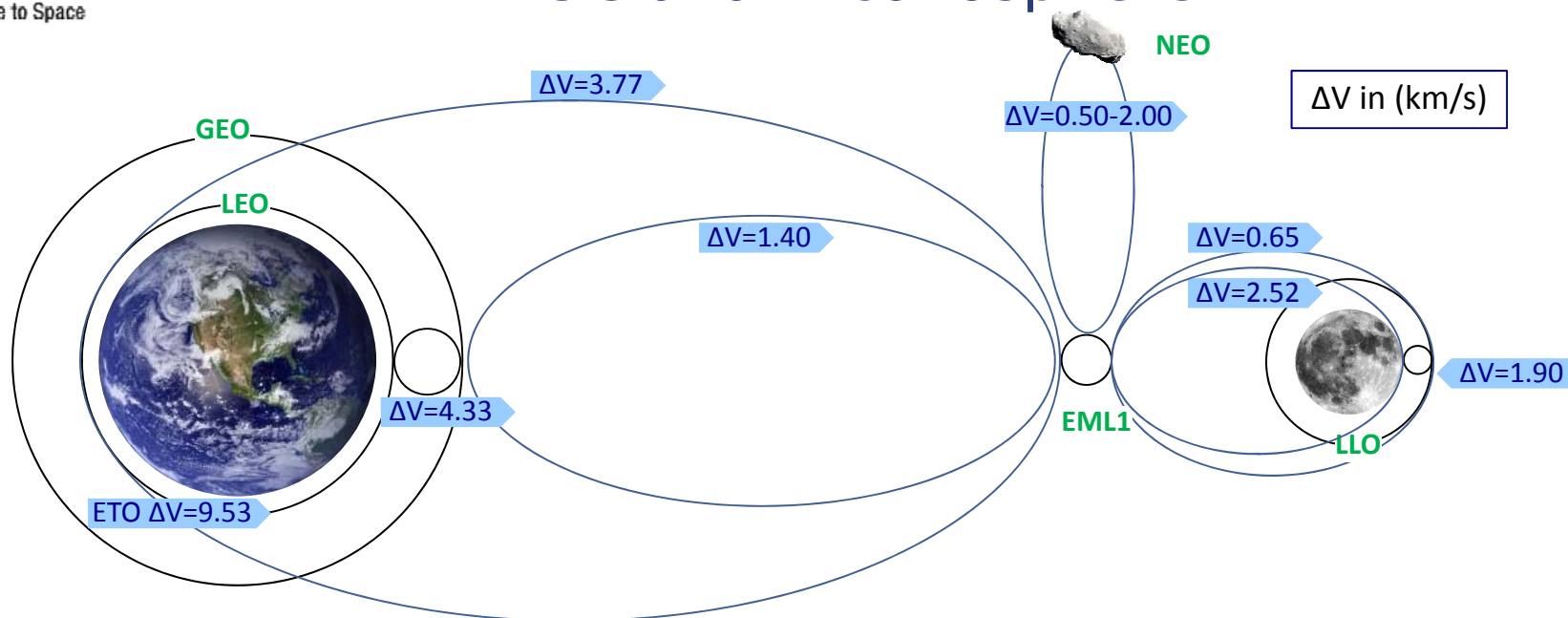
# Agenda

- ❑ Cislunar Space Economy
- ❑ Advanced Evolved Upper Stage (ACES) Update
- ❑ Progress on Cislunar Enabling Technologies
- ❑ eXperimental Enhanced Upper Stage (XEUS) Overview
- ❑ Transportation to Lunar Surface and Cislunar Space



# Cislunar video

# Cislunar Econosphere



## LEO

ISS  
Remote Sensing  
Commercial Station  
Communication  
Space Control  
Debris mitigation  
Science  
R&D  
Tourism  
Manufacturing  
Propellant Transfer  
Data Servers

## GEO

Observation  
Communication  
Space Control  
Debris Mitigation  
Space Solar Power  
Repair Station  
Satellite Life extension  
Harvesting

## High Earth Orbit

Science / Astronomy  
Communication Link  
Way Station  
Propellant Depots  
Repair Station  
Lunar Solar Power Sat  
Manufacturing  
Planetary Defense

## Lunar Surface

Science/ Astronomy  
•Lunar  
•Observatory  
Human Outpost  
Tourism  
Mining  
•Oxygen/Water  
•Regolith  
•Rare Earth Elements  
•HE3  
Manufacturing  
Fuel Depots  
Solar Power to Earth

Existing market / Emerging market / Future market

Cislunar Vision: 1,000 People working in Space

# ACES – Advanced Cryogenic Evolved Stage

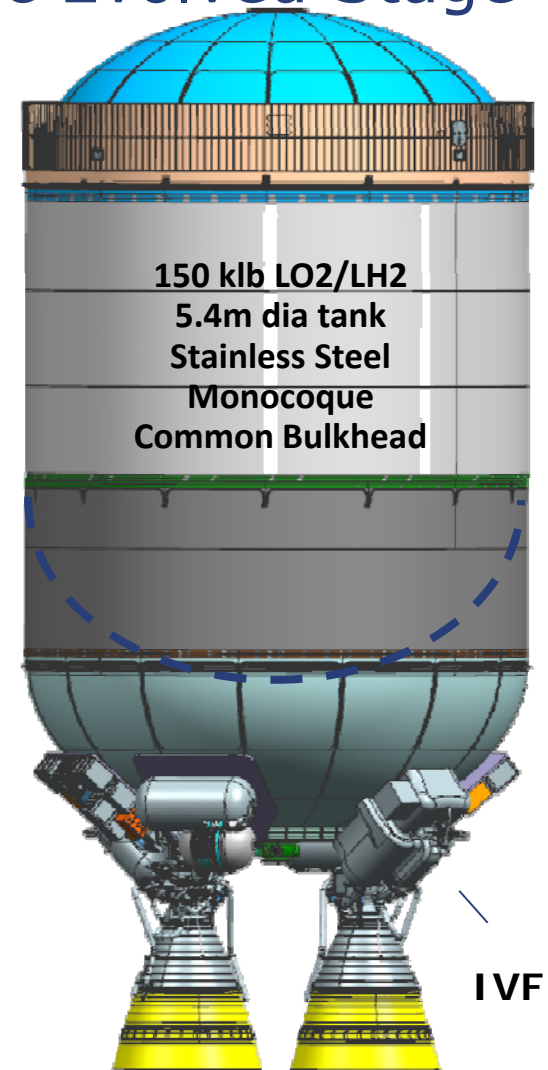
## □ New Mission Capability

- **Weeks Duration**
- Many Engine Burns
- Service Module Type Flexibility
- Increased Mission Flexibility

## □ Affordable

- **Atlas 541** performance for less than \$100M
- GSO Heavy Performance for \$140M
- **>20% more** Performance than **DIV Heavy**

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ACES is Key to Opening Cislunar Highway  
IVF and Cryo Storage Key Enabling Technologies



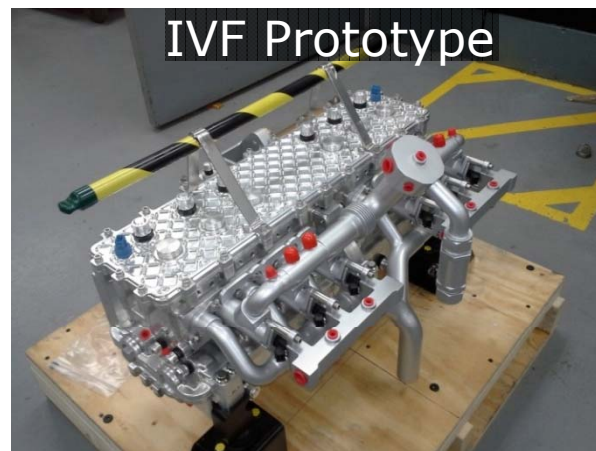
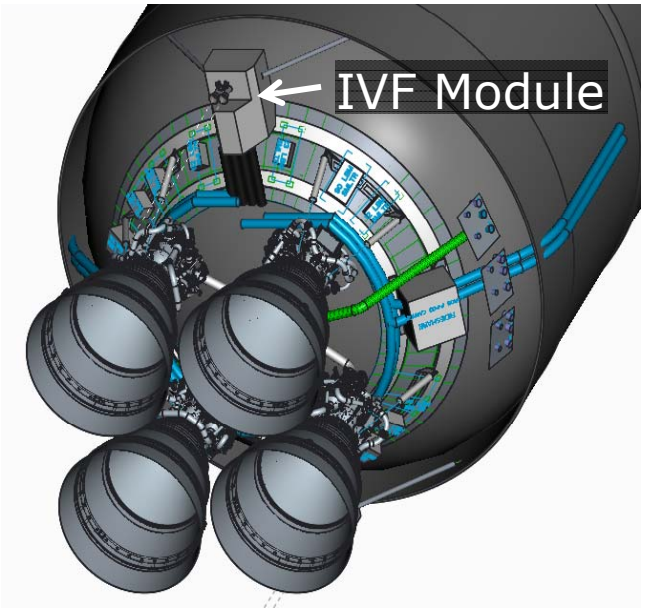
## Enabling Technologies In Development

### ❑ Integrated Vehicle Fluids & Cryogenics

- Power —> No Main batteries
- Reaction control —> No Hydrazine
- Pressurization —> No Helium

### ❑ Enables

- Weeks to Years
- Service Module Flexibility
- On Orbit Refueling





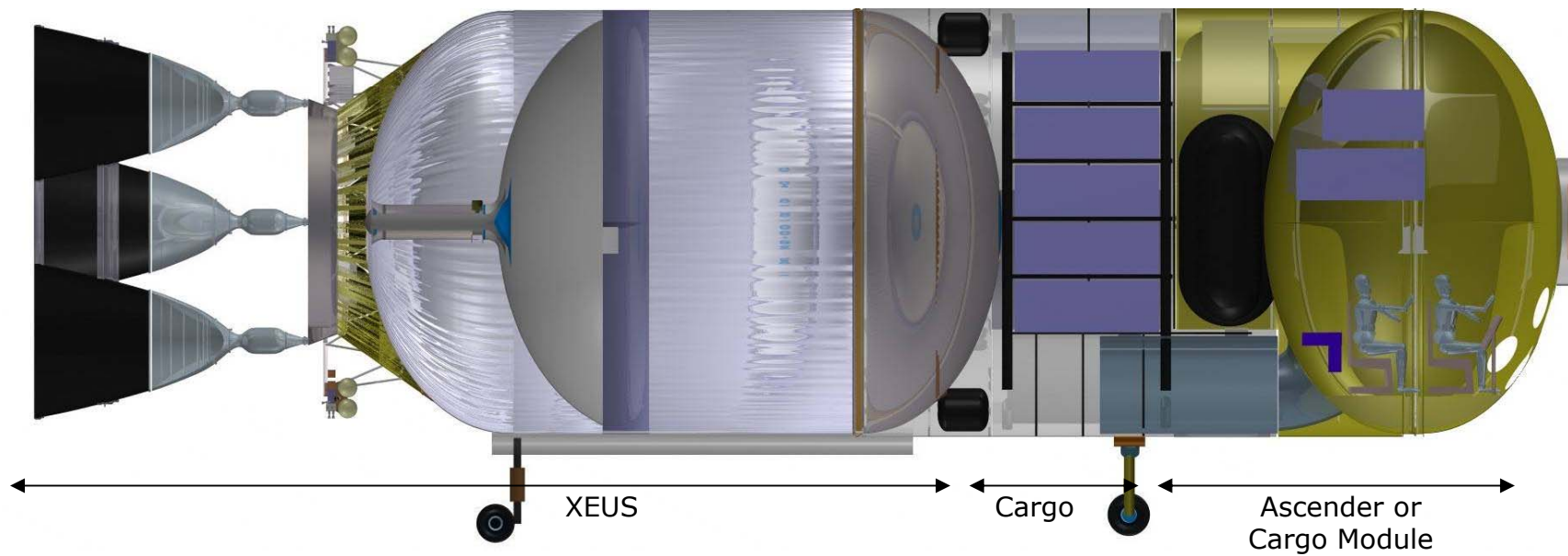
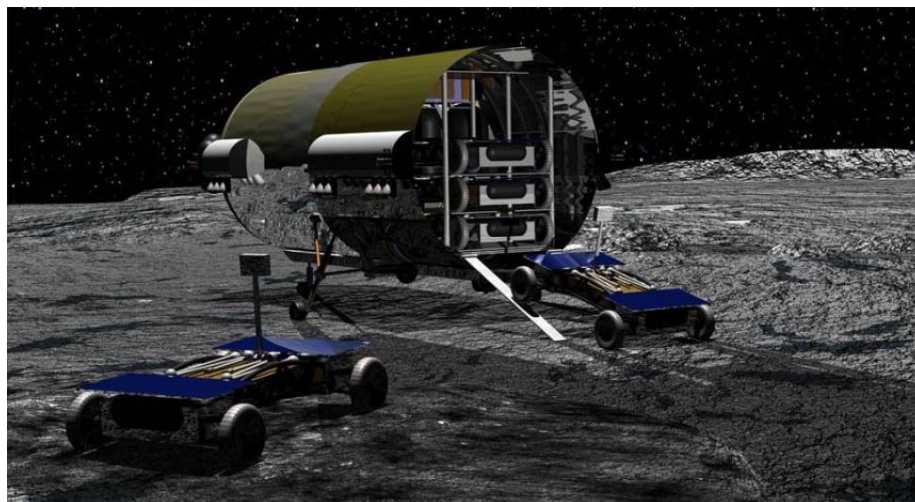
## ACES Capabilities Go Beyond Performance

|                                   | Centaur   | ACES                                  |
|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Max Engine Burns                  | 3 ●   | Unlimited ∞                           |
| Max Mission Duration              | 0.33 Days (8 hrs) ●                                   | days - extendable to <b>months</b> ●  |
| Peak power to P/L                 | Watts ●   | <b>Kilo Watts</b> ●                   |
| Avionics                          | Static (Common Avionics)                              | GPS update, star tracker, uplink, etc |
| RCS Delta V                       | Limited to upper stage settling and thermal control ● | Virtually unlimited maneuvering ●     |
| Reusable (w/ refueling)           | No ●  | <b>Yes</b> ∞                          |
| Secondary Payloads (aft bulkhead) | 80 kg ●   | 400 kg ●                              |

**Revolutionary** New Capabilities

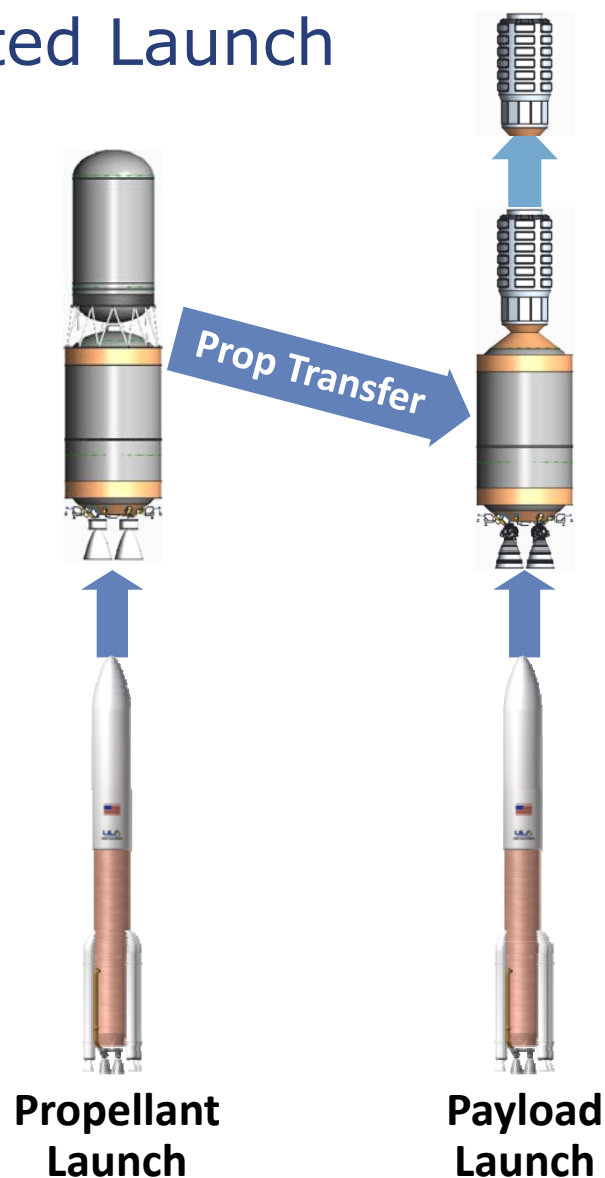
## XEUS Lunar Lander

- ❑ ULA's technology can lead to large scale lunar surface access, enabling cislunar economy
- ❑ ACES + Mission Kit
  - LH2/LO2 Thruster
  - Landing GN&C
  - Landing struts



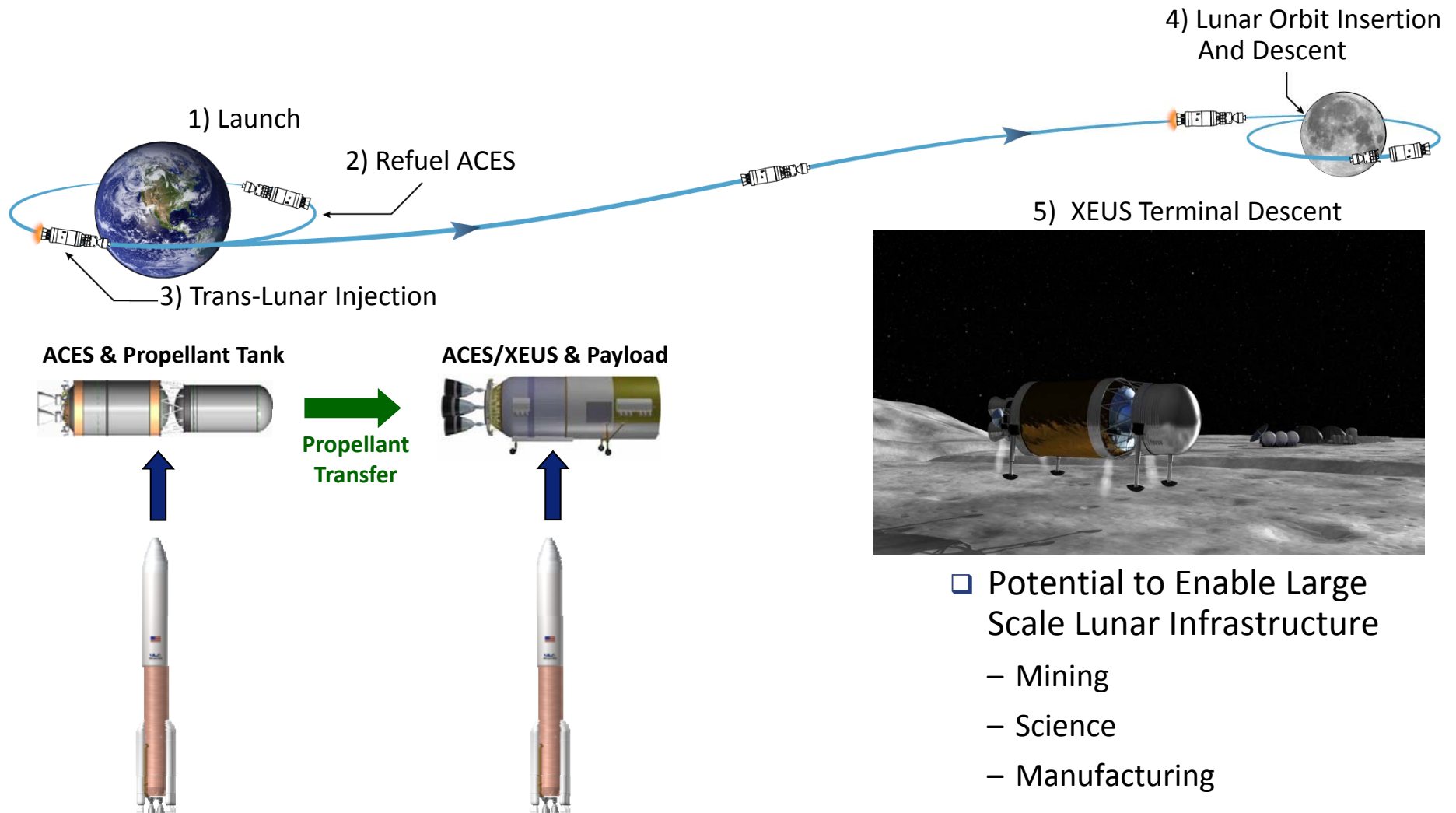
## Distributed Launch

| Vulcan             | Earth Escape | GSO<br>or<br>Lunar Orbit | Lunar<br>Surface |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Single Launch      | 14 mT        | 10 mT                    | 3.8 mT           |
| Distributed Launch | 30 mT        | 24 mT                    | 12 mT            |



Initial Step to Upper Stage Reuse for ACES and XEUS

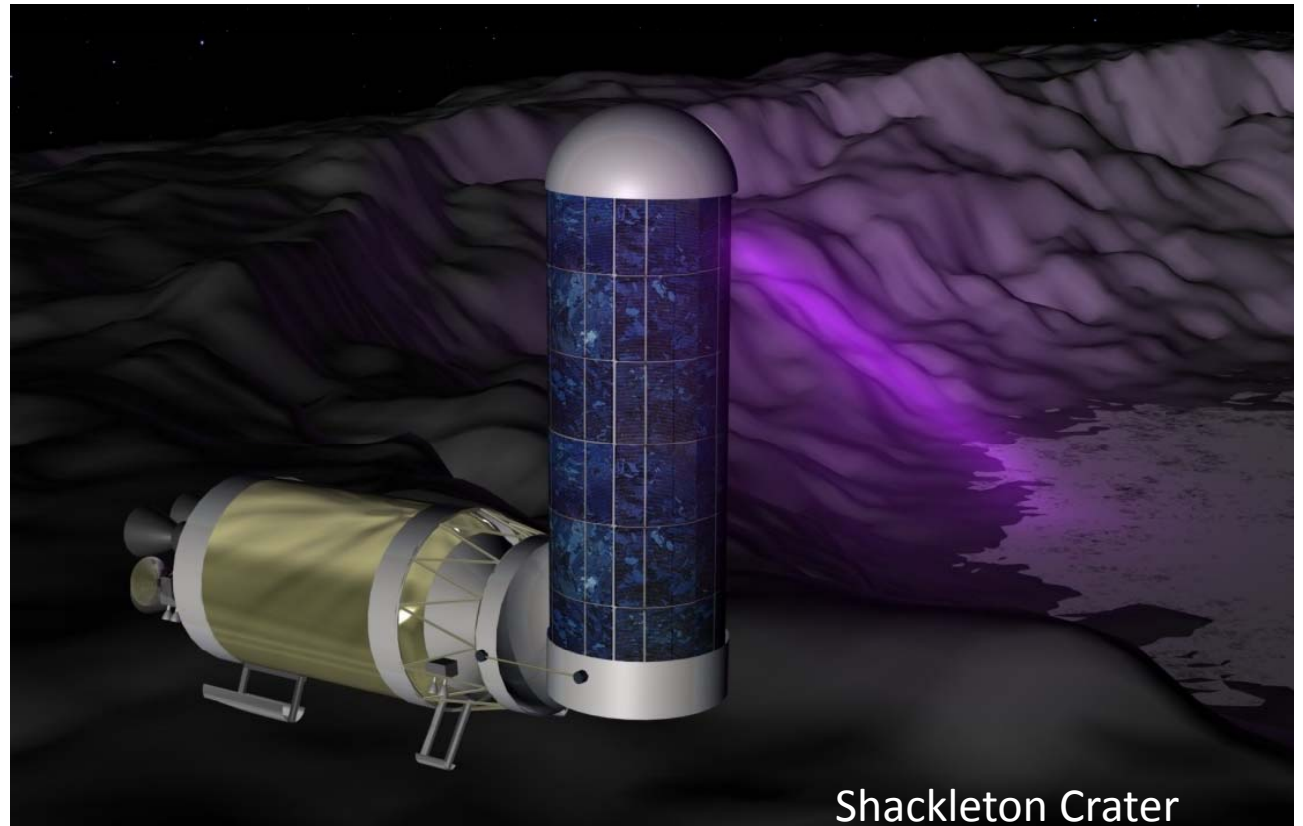
# Potential Lunar Surface Cargo Mission



- Potential to Enable Large Scale Lunar Infrastructure
  - Mining
  - Science
  - Manufacturing
  - Habitation

# Lunar Water

- ❑ Prospecting
  - ~10B mT of ice per pole
- ❑ Power Tower on Crater Rim
  - Beam power to crater floor



Shackleton Crater

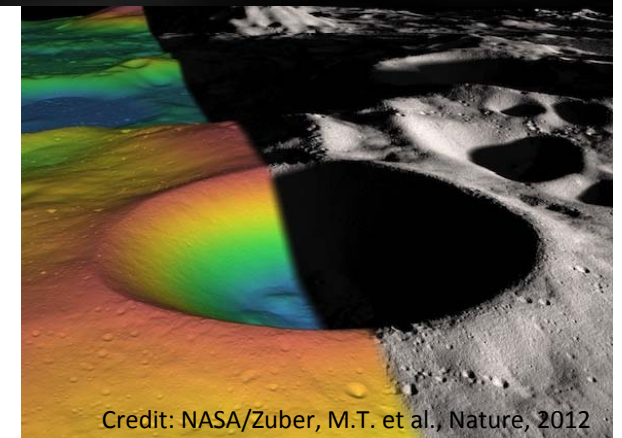


Resource Prospector

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Griffin Lander

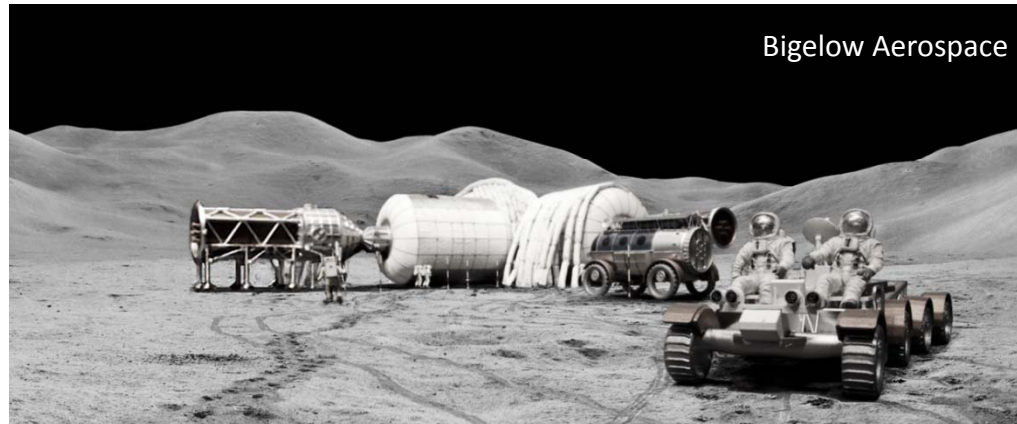


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# Standing on Threshold of Robust Cislunar Economy

## Early Base



## In situ Settlements



Lunar Water Mining: A Potential Oasis Supporting Lunar Settlement

