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NASA introduced three companies that will launch small, cost-effective satellites called CubeSats on dedicated research missions beginning in 2017.

Firefly, Rocket Lab USA and Virgin Galactic were chosen for the launches, with each producing a rocket that flies for one-tenth the cost of the cheapest traditional launcher.

Technology drives exploration, so the ability to quickly try out new innovations on inexpensive CubeSats is important for making later full-scaled missions that much more successful.

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a state-of-the-art facility outfitted to streamline information technology at the multi-user spaceport.

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