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Feb. 8 -- The Minnesota

Mining and Manufacturing

Company announced plans to

spend up to \$150 million in a

five-year research program to

develop commercial products

in space. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration said it would give the company's experiments at least

two free rides on the space

shuttle.

James M. Beggs, the administrator of NASA, welcomed

the initiative and said he expected other companies to

make similar commitments

soon in response to President

Reagan's offer to help the private sector get started in the

commercialization of space. The first experiments by the

St. Paul-based concern, also

known as the 3M Company,

could fly as early as August and

if the research proves productive, useful products might be

manufactured on the space station that Mr. Reagan endorsed

last month. The \$8 billion station could be in orbit by 1992. Products evolving from the

research might be in the fields  
of memory and imaging media,  
electronic products, energy  
conversion and biology, a 3M spokesman said.

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