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Boeing [NYSE:BA] today announced the transfer of the Boeing Data Renaissance Suite of digital maintenance software tools -- developed by Boeing -- from its Integrated Defense Systems business unit to Continental DataGraphics, a wholly owned subsidiary of Boeing. Also included in this transfer is the Quill Relational Data Base, an interactive electronic technical manual, or IETM, authoring system developed by Boeing.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Government and Military Programs business division of Continental DataGraphics, or CDG, will be responsible for future development, maintenance, support, sales and marketing of the Boeing Data Renaissance SuiteTM and Quill Relational Data Base, effective January 1, 2003.

With significant commercial experience, Continental DataGraphics is well positioned to expand the market for Data Renaissance SuiteTM to new and varied commercial markets. The company also will aggressively focus on developing new and innovative features and solutions that enhance the tool set to meet the maintenance requirements of the future.

"With this transfer, CDG will be able to provide proven military technology for reducing the cost of maintaining complex systems to the broader commercial and non-aviation markets," said Larry Crogg, chief operating officer of CDG.

Continental DataGraphics will leverage more than 30 years of experience with technical data and associated software applications for the aerospace sector to ensure that existing Data Renaissance Suite and Quill Relational Data Base, or QRDB, customers continue to receive the high level of support and responsiveness to which they have become accustomed. CDG intends to honor all contractual agreements with existing customers, including the delivery of promised updates or enhancements.

The Boeing Data Renaissance Suite is a commercial tool set for deploying electronic media for maintenance of complex systems. The suite is comprised of the Boeing Quill21TM class IV IETM authoring system, the Boeing Data Courier class IV IETM presentation system, Boeing Wiring Illuminator digital wiring diagram system and Boeing Diagnostic Expert operator/maintainer debrief system. DRS and QRDB significantly lower the life cycle cost of maintenance and related technical data, and are currently used on a number of major projects including the F/A-18 and Apache Longbow programs. An Apache Longbow IETM fielded using the tool set was presented with a meritorious award by the American Helicopter Society for being the world's first fielded Class IV IETM for a major weapon system.

The Quill Relational Data Base is a tool that tightly integrates the Logistic Support Database software from Integrated Support Systems, Inc. with an IETM authoring tool that supports the Boeing Data Courier common class IV presentation system. This approach allows all the resource data (parts, tools, people, etc.) to be entered once and reused many times over.

Continental DataGraphics is part of Boeing Commercial Aviation Services, which delivers global air transport solutions including renowned customer support, integrated and digitally based information services, planning regimes for flight operations and maintenance operations, airplane modifications and technical services.

A unit of The Boeing Company, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$23 billion business. It provides systems solutions to its global military, government and commercial customers. It is a leading provider of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; the world's largest military aircraft manufacturer; the world's largest satellite manufacturer and a leading provider of space-based communications; the primary systems integrator for U.S. missile defense; NASA's largest contractor; and a global leader in launch services.

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