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WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 17, 2008 -- The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] has submitted a proposal to the U.S. Air Force to provide contractor logistics support services for the T-1A Jayhawk training aircraft fleet.

Under the eight-year agreement, Boeing, if selected, would provide field service personnel, manage a parts warehouse, issue and replace parts, and overhaul major aircraft components for 179 T-1A aircraft at five bases - Randolph Air Force Base and Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas; Vance Air Force Base, Okla.; Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.; and Pensacola Naval Air Station, Fla.

The contract award is expected in summer 2009.

The T-1A Jayhawk, a military version of the Hawker Beechcraft 400A business jet, is a medium-range, twin-engine aircraft used in the advanced phase of specialized undergraduate pilot training for students selected to fly airlift or tanker aircraft. It also is used to support navigator training for the U.S. Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and international services.

"Boeing has assembled an experienced team consisting of the best of its Global Services & Support business unit and Aviall, the world's leader in aircraft parts distribution," said Leanne Caret, general manager of Boeing Global Transport & Executive Systems. "Bringing together resources from throughout Boeing and its subsidiaries will allow us to provide worldwide support to the T-1A fleet."

Caret added that experience providing contractor logistics support for other aircraft, such as the T-38, T-43, KC-10, C-32A, E-4B and the C-40 uniquely positions the Boeing team to support the T-1A.

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