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HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Oct. 29, 2009 -- The Boeing Company today issued the following statement regarding Missile Defense Systems work force reductions:

"Due to a reduction in funding expected in fiscal year 2010 for U.S. missile defense programs, Boeing will issue layoff notices to 98 workers at various sites, including those in Alabama, Alaska, California and Colorado. These employees will receive a 60-day advance notification of layoff on Friday, Oct. 30.

"With the Congressional budget cycle nearing completion, Boeing is adjusting employment to match expected funding for the Ground-based Midcourse Defense program and to match the scope of the program in the next fiscal year.

"Boeing is committed to preserving as many jobs as possible for these valued, highly skilled employees, and the company has taken aggressive steps to lessen the impact of the funding reductions. These steps include redeploying personnel to other programs, evaluating contract labor requirements, and offering career services and related assistance.

"Boeing employees are proud of the vital missile defense programs they support and will continue to focus on meeting our commitments to our customers."

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