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- China emerging as key market for business jets

SEATTLE, Dec. 16, 2011 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) <u>Business Jets</u> today announced the delivery of a BBJ to Nanshan Jet of Yantai, China, rounding out a strong year of orders and deliveries to Chinese customers.

Representatives of Nanshan Jet took delivery of the airplane at the Boeing Delivery Center in Seattle. This is the first BBJ for Nanshan Jet and one of the first aircraft the company will operate on its own.

"Previously our jets were operated by Air China. We're thrilled to begin this new adventure with Boeing as our partner," said Bin Yu, president of Nanshan Jet.

Yu adds the BBJ is Nanshan Jet's largest, most capable aircraft in their fleet of seven and will provide charter services for corporations, government agencies and private individuals in China.

"Flying farther, with lower cabin altitude and with nearly three times the interior space of the largest traditional business jets, Nanshan Jet is going to love their BBJ," said Capt. Stephen Taylor, BBJ president.

Boeing delivers the BBJ to the customer 'green' (no interior or paint) so it can be customized to suit specific needs and tastes. Nanshan Jet has selected Lufthansa Technik's U.S. Subsidiary, BizJet International, to complete its BBJ interior in Tulsa, Oklahoma. It will be configured to carry 28 passengers.

Three of four BBJ orders and three of seven deliveries this year were to customers in China. 2012 is expected to be equally as strong for BBJ in the region.

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