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Agreement streamlines sustainment contracts

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 8, 2013 – Boeing [NYSE: BA] and the U.S. Air Force Sustainment Center (AFSC) have entered into an overarching public-private partnership that will streamline supply chain contracting, saving money and speeding up execution by as much as 10 months.

The partnership – the first of its kind – allows the three Air Force logistics complexes that are under the AFSC to immediately execute implementation agreements with Boeing, reducing administrative costs and increasing efficiency.

“Boeing is proud to lead the way for industry by developing a new, more efficient and affordable way to do business,” said Scott Strobe, vice president and general manager of Maintenance, Modifications & Upgrades for Boeing Defense, Space & Security.

In the past, each complex – Oklahoma City Air Logistics Complex, Ogden Air Logistics Complex and Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex – would enter into an individual partnering agreement with Boeing, a process that took 12 to 16 months to complete.

The enterprise partnering agreement now in place allows the complexes to move directly to executing the details of the agreement, allowing implementation eight to 10 months earlier.

“The new partnering agreement will make our supply chain more agile so we can deliver maximum mission readiness to our customers,” said Ken Shaw, vice president of Supply Chain Management for Boeing Defense, Space & Security.

The agreement covers products and services including software, commodities, new technology implementation and others.

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