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A Boeing and Sikorsky joint venture, called Boeing Sikorsky Aircraft Support (BSAS), Jan. 24 submitted its proposal to provide operations and maintenance support for helicopters, fixed-wing airplanes and maritime systems for the U. S. Special Operations Command, Special Operations Forces Support Activity (SOFSA).

The SOFSA work will be performed at the Bluegrass Depot in Lexington and Richmond, Ky.

The SOFSA contract calls for operations and maintenance support to special operations forces and special operations forces unique equipment. The equipment includes Boeing MH-47 helicopters; Sikorsky MH-60 helicopters; McDonnel Douglas AH/MH-6 helicopters; C-130 fixed-wing airplanes; and U.S. Navy maritime systems.

BSAS currently holds an U. S. Army Special Operations Command contract at Fort Campbell, Ky., providing integrated and life-cycle contractor logistics support to the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment. Products maintained for mission-specific support are the Chinook (Boeing) and Black Hawk (Sikorsky) helicopters.

The SOFSA contract award will be announced in mid-June with contract transition start on July 1. The five-year contract, one basic year plus four-one year options, extends through June 2002.

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