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A Boeing and Sikorsky joint venture, called Boeing Sikorsky Aircraft Support (BSAS), has named five companies to its proposal for the U. S. Special Operations Command, Special Operations Forces Support Activity (SOFSA).

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; McDonnell Douglas AH/MH-6 helicopters; C-130 fixed-wing airplanes; and U.S. Navy maritime systems.

Subcontractors who have teamed with BSAS include McDonnell Douglas Aerospace Services Company, St. Louis, Mo.; Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio; Armstrong Data Services, Inc., Slidell, La.; TCS Design and Management Services, Inc., Warner Robbins, Ga.; and Northrop Grumman, Electronic Sensors and Systems Division, Linthicum, Md.

"The BSAS team is a very strong team," said Steve Bolton, Boeing Sikorsky Aircraft Support vice president and general manager. "We understand the demanding and unique requirements of the U. S. Special Operations Command and their special operations forces. We are looking forward to award announcement and working with the special operations forces community."

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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