Boeing Wins C-17 Aircrew Training System Contract

The Boeing Company has been awarded the C-17 Aircrew Training System (ATS) contract by the U.S. Air Force. Under the contract, which has a total potential value of $123.6 million, the Boeing Aerospace Support business will deliver six weapon system trainers for the C-17 Globemaster III airlifter, and provide two years of operations and maintenance.

The weapon system trainers will be delivered to Altus Air Force Base, Okla.; Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.; McChord Air Force Base, Wash.; and Jackson Air National Guard Base, Miss. The first delivery will come in January 2002, with the operations and maintenance portion of the contract covering fiscal years 2002 and 2003.

As a subcontractor to Boeing, Flight Safety International of Tulsa, Okla., is providing the hardware for the C-17 ATS program, with Boeing Aerospace Support responsible for software development and integration, along with program management.

The first major award under the Air Force Training Systems Acquisition "umbrella" contract, the C-17 ATS program continues the Boeing leadership position in aircrew training for the C-17 and other Air Force aircraft. "Aircrew training systems are key elements of our integrated approach to aerospace support, and we are pleased to offer the Air Force total support solutions across the full spectrum of its fleet of aircraft," said Jim Restelli, vice president and general manager for Aerospace Support. Under a contract awarded in 1988, Boeing is providing seven C-17 weapon system trainers for the Air Force. Four of those trainers have been delivered to date.

Late last year, Boeing was awarded a 10-year, $80 million aircrew training systems contract for the KC-10 Extender tanker aircraft. The company also is the leader in training systems and support for the F-15 Eagle, and is under contract to develop and deliver two four-ship F-15C full-mission trainers as part of the Distributed Mission Training program.

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