Boeing Executive Receives Multinational Award

James W. Evatt, executive vice president and general manager, Boeing [NYSE:BA] Missile Defense Systems was presented the David R. Israel Award for Meritorious Achievement yesterday at the Multinational Ballistic Missile Defense Conference and Exhibition in Dallas, Texas.

Evatt was honored with Maj. Gen. Willie B. Nance, Missile Defense Agency, for their innovative leadership in setting new quality standards that led to system flight test successes in support of anti-ballistic missile technology development.

The award cites their exemplary leadership and management excellence of the Ground-based Midcourse Defense program. Evatt and Nance were credited with successfully integrating and refocusing a multi-contractor management team to accomplish one of the most challenging systems integration efforts ever attempted. Under their leadership, the government/industry team accomplished three consecutive successful intercept flight tests against increasingly complex targets. According to the award certificate, their joint leadership moved the United States closer to implementing an effective defense against a limited strike of long-range missiles, and stands as a demonstration of the success that can be achieved when government and industry work together.

The International Program Committee, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and the United States Missile Defense Agency presents the David R. Israel Award annually to people who have contributed to advancing missile defense concepts, programs and technology. It is named for the late David Israel, who was the chief engineer for the Strategic Defense Initiative Office, forerunner of MDA. Members of the International Program Committee are the United States, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, The Netherlands and the United Kingdom.

Boeing Space and Communications, headquartered in Seal Beach, Calif., is the world's largest space and communications company. A unit of The Boeing Company, S&C provides integrated solutions in launch services, human space flight and exploration, missile defense, and information and communications. It is NASA's largest contractor; a leading provider of space-based communications; the primary systems integrator for U.S. missile defense; and a leading provider of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance. The global enterprise has customers worldwide and manufacturing operations throughout the United States and Australia.
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