Boeing Names Dave Ryan to Head its Satellite Manufacturing Business

Boeing [NYSE:BA] officials have selected Dave Ryan to lead Boeing Satellite Systems effective immediately. Ryan, a 13-year Boeing employee, succeeds Randy Brinkley, who has announced his intent to leave the company on June 1, 2003.

As vice president and general manager of Boeing Satellite Systems, or BSS, Ryan will report to Bill Collopy, vice president and general manager of Launch and Satellite Systems, a division of St. Louis-based Boeing Integrated Defense Systems.

"With more than 26 years of experience in the industry designing and leading satellite and communications systems, Dave is well-prepared to lead the BSS team and drive the initiatives that will position us for success," said Collopy, who also praised Brinkley's achievements at BSS." Randy has been instrumental in leading BSS through the transition over the last two years, and his leadership will be missed."

Located in El Segundo, Calif., Boeing Satellite Systems is the world's largest manufacturer of commercial communications satellites and a major provider of space systems, satellites and payloads for national defense, science and environmental applications.

Ryan was most recently vice president and deputy general manager, Space and Intelligence Systems. Prior leadership assignments include a variety of military and commercial satellite programs.

Prior to joining Boeing in 1990, Ryan spent a 13-year career designing and operating satellite systems at TRW Defense and Space. His technical training is in communication systems engineering, satellite payload systems engineering, and satellite integration and test. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Rice University in 1976 and his Master of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Rice University in 1977.

Through June 1, Brinkley will remain with Boeing reporting to Jim Albaugh, president and chief executive officer of Boeing Integrated Defense Systems, and will work to ensure a smooth leadership transition and continued quality performance at BSS.

A unit of The Boeing Company, Integrated Defense Systems is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$25 billion business. It provides systems solutions to its global military, government, and commercial customers. It is a leading provider of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; the world's largest military aircraft manufacturer; the world's largest satellite manufacturer and a leading provider of space-based communications; the primary systems integrator for U.S. missile defense; NASA's largest contractor; and a global leader in launch services.

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