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Boeing [NYSE:BA] vice president and general manager, Allen Ashby, has announced his retirement after 36 years with the company, effective May 30. Ashby has been responsible for the Battle Management Command, Control & Communications and Strategic Systems (BMC3 &SS) organization based out of Anaheim, Calif.

During his tenure, Ashby has been in charge of a variety of activities including airborne information, surveillance and reconnaissance systems, maritime airborne systems, intercontinental ballistic missile systems, communication systems, precision naval navigation and electronics products.

"BMC3 & SS has prospered under Ashby's leadership with several important contract wins in just the last year in the area of network centric operations that were critical to the company," Said George Muellner, senior vice president, Boeing Air Force Systems. "We are committed to continuing on the path that he has established over the past several years."

Prior to Ashby's Anaheim-based assignments, he served as president of Sea Launch Company, LDC, and a Boeing vice president in the Space & Communications Group. Ashby joined Boeing in 1967 as an electrical engineer on the Supersonic Transport program. Throughout his 36-year career he has worked on a variety of defense-related programs.

A successor for Ashby has not been named.

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