Boeing Commercial Airplanes Makes Key Executive Appointments

Boeing [NYSE:BA] today announced two key executive appointments in Commercial Airplanes:

- Michael J. Cave has been named senior vice president -- Airplane Programs with overall responsibility for the 717, 737, 747, 757, 767 and 777 businesses. He succeeds James M. Jamieson, who today was named chief technology officer for The Boeing Company.
- Louis J. Mancini succeeds Cave as senior vice president -- Commercial Aviation Services, the unit that provides around-the-clock support for Boeing commercial airplanes operating worldwide.

Cave and Mancini report to Boeing Commercial Airplanes President and Chief Executive Officer Alan Mulally.

"Mike and Lou are tremendous leaders who understand our customers and our business plan for making them successful," Mulally said. "In these new roles, they will ensure our continued focus on providing the world's airlines with the products and services they need to remain prosperous in a very dynamic business environment."

Cave, 43, has held several executive positions in Boeing. Prior to leading Commercial Aviation Services he was chief financial officer for Commercial Airplanes and vice president -- Finance for Boeing's Information Space & Defense Systems. He joined the company in 1983 and holds an engineering degree from Purdue University.

Mancini, 53, joined Boeing in 2002 as vice president -- maintenance services, the unit responsible for providing customer airlines with maintenance and engineering.

From 1995 to 2002, he was vice president -- Engineering and Technical Operations for United Airlines. Prior to that, he held a number of senior positions at Northwest Airlines, including vice president -- Technical Operations and vice president -- Engineering, Inspection and Quality Assurance. From 1985 to 1991, he worked in key maintenance and engineering leadership posts at United Airlines.

Before launching his aerospace career, Mancini held a variety of management positions at Shell Development Co., in Houston, and Chevron in San Francisco. He has an engineering degree from the University of Illinois, and doctorate and master's degrees in operations research from Stanford University.

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