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The Boeing [NYSE: BA] 7E7 Dreamliner will be equipped with Kidde Technologies fire protection systems that will provide fire detection and extinguishing for the all-new commercial airplane's engines, auxiliary power system and cargo compartments.

"Kidde's integrated fire protection system is an integral part of making our airplane design as safe as possible," said Boeing 7E7 Senior Vice President Mike Bair. "Safety is always our number one priority."

The software-controlling Kidde's system, like most other 7E7 system software, will be hosted in the 7E7's common core system. The common core system's contains centralized software that allows the 7E7 to be more efficient in its computing resources.

"Boeing's decision underscores the unique capabilities Kidde offers in integrated fire protection solutions," said Brent Ehmke, president of Wilson, N.C.-based Kidde Technologies, Inc.

Additional Information

7E7

Launched in April 2004, the 7E7 is a family of three airplanes, all of which will use the same engine type. The 7E7-8 Dreamliner will carry 217 passengers in three-classes of seating with a range of up to 8,500 nautical miles (15,700 kilometers). The 7E7-3 Dreamliner, a model of the 7E7-8 optimized for shorter flights, will carry 289 passengers in two-class seating on ranges up to 3,500 nautical miles (6,500 kilometers). The 7E7-9 Dreamliner, a longer version of the 7E7-8, will carry 257 passengers in three classes with a range of 8,300 nautical miles (15,400 kilometers).

It is being designed to provide customers with a better flying experience including an improved cabin environment with more room and more conveniences.

Kidde Aerospace

Kidde Technologies, a Kidde plc company, is the world's leading supplier of fire protection systems and products for civilian and military aircraft. For 80 years, the company has defined the meaning of "state-of-the-art" in fire protection through advances in detection, suppression, inerting, other protection technologies and the integration of these technologies into aircraft system designs.

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