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Boeing [NYSE: BA] is increasing Hamilton Sundstrand's work on the 7E7 Dreamliner by selecting the company's nitrogen generating system for the all-new passenger airplane.

The 7E7 will be the first commercial jet featuring a nitrogen generating system. Such a system enhances the overall safety of the fuel tanks by reducing oxygen levels in them.

"Boeing is committed to safe and efficient air transportation," said Mike Bair, senior vice president of the 7E7 program. "This system will bring the 7E7 into compliance with new regulations and further establishes the 7E7 as an airplane that offers new technologies for the benefit of our customers and their passengers."

Earlier this year, Hamilton Sundstrand was chosen to supply the 7E7's environmental control system, electric power generating and start system, remote power distribution system, and the primary power distribution system and auxiliary power unit.

"We are extremely pleased to have been awarded additional business on this important new aircraft," said Hamilton Sundstrand President Ron McKenna.

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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, 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, 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).

The Dreamliner will provide passengers with a better flying experience including and improved cabin environment with more room and more conveniences.

Hamilton Sundstrand

Hamilton Sundstrand is headquartered in Windsor Locks, Conn. It employs about 16,000 and is a leading manufacturer and service provider of aerospace and industrial systems.

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