Boeing Awards Additional Work to Thales for 7E7 Dreamliner

Boeing [NYSE: BA] has selected Thales of France to supply the Integrated Standby Flight Display (ISFD) for the 7E7 Dreamliner. Last month, Boeing tapped Thales to supply the Electrical Power Conversion System for the airplane.

"After our recent first selection onboard the 7E7 Dreamliner for the Electrical Power Conversion System, our company is very proud of this new success and to be part of the 7E7 Program. The confidence expressed by Boeing through this selection will enhance our companies' relationship and represents another important milestone in our partnership," said Gil Michielin, vice president, Avionics for Air Transport, Thales Aerospace Division.

The ISFD is a liquid crystal display located in the center section of the forward flight deck panel. It provides an integrated display of airspeed, altitude, and airplane pitch and roll attitude. In addition, the ISFD demonstrates heading and landing approach deviation data in a format similar to primary flight displays.

"Thales' Integrated Standby Flight Display is in service today on our 737NG, 747-400, 757, 767, and 777 fleets. The selection of Thales for this key function expands the partnership we have already developed on the 7E7," said Mike Bair, senior vice president -- 7E7 Program.

7E7

Launched in April 2004 with an order for 50 airplanes from ANA (All Nippon Airways), 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).

The 7E7 is being designed to provide customers with a better flying experience, including an improved cabin environment with more room and more conveniences.

Thales

Thales is an international electronics and systems group, serving defence, aerospace, services and security markets. The group employs 62,000 people worldwide and generated revenues of 10.6 billion euros in 2003. Thales has been a Boeing supplier for many years and Boeing's preferred partner for the ISFD since 2001.

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