Boeing 777-200LR, World's Longest Range Airplane, Makes First Flight

The first Boeing [NYSE:BA] 777-200LR Worldliner, the world's longest range commercial airplane, today completed its first flight and began a test program that will lead to its first delivery in January 2006.

Capts. Suzanna Darcy-Hennemann and Frank Santoni, shown here, flew the airplane, which carries the distinctive new blue Boeing livery. Darcy-Hennemann is the 777-200LR project pilot and Santoni is the chief 777 program pilot for Boeing Commercial Airplanes.

The newest 777 took off from Everett, Wash.'s Paine Field at 10:00 a.m. local time. After approximately three hours, it landed at 1:02 p.m. at Seattle 's Boeing Field.

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