Howard Chambers Named Vice President/GM of Boeing Space & Intelligence Systems

Boeing [NYSE:BA] named Howard E. Chambers vice president and general manager of Space & Intelligence Systems (S&IS), an operating division of Integrated Defense Systems (IDS). Chambers reports to Jim Albaugh, president and chief executive officer of Boeing's Integrated Defense Systems.

Chambers is responsible for leading the people, programs and assets of the company's intelligence and space programs. These include Boeing's Satellite Development Center, Information Systems, Mission Systems and critical elements of the Future Imagery Architecture program. He also is Chief Executive Officer of Boeing Satellite Systems International, Inc.

"Howard brings to this position a wealth of experience managing large, complex programs," Albaugh said. "He has held a number of increasingly important leadership roles in the company and these experiences are vitally important to our government space customers and to our commercial business."

Chambers has served since August as an interim leader of S&IS. Previously, he was vice president of Program Management and Independent Review for IDS, where he was responsible for the development and deployment of program management best practices, providing training and development for program managers and performing independent assessments of critical IDS programs. Before that, he served as VP/GM of the Airlift and Tanker Programs business unit and the C-17 Globemaster III Transport Program.

Chambers joined Rockwell International in 1969 after service in the U.S. Air Force. At Rockwell he served in senior management positions in test, logistics, business development and program management. He also served as associate program manager for the B-1B Support programs and he later became vice president and program manager of the B-1B program, maintaining this position after Boeing acquired the Rockwell Aerospace and Defense business sectors in 1996.

Chambers holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Tennessee, with a major in aerospace engineering. He is a recipient of the Silver Knight of Management, Executive of the Year, and Gold Knight of Management awards from the National Management Association. Chambers also is an Associate Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He is the 2002 Amelia Earhart Award recipient for mentoring, recipient of the California State University Long Beach Alumni Association 2004 President's Distinguished Service award and the recipient of the 2005 Crystal Arts and Humanitarian Award given by the International City Theater of Long Beach.

Chambers is a member of many professional organizations and active in the local community. He is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the California Council for Excellence and a member of the Board of Governors of the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County. He is the Boeing Executive Focal for support to the California State University, Long Beach and advisor for advance business degree programs at CSULB and the University of Tennessee.

A unit of The Boeing Company, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a $30.5 billion business. It provides network-centric system solutions to its global military, government, and commercial customers. It is a leading provider of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems; the world's largest military aircraft manufacturer; the world's largest satellite manufacturer and a leading provider of space-based communications; the primary systems integrator for U.S. missile defense; NASA's largest contractor; and a global leader in sustainment solutions and launch services.
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