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Boeing [NYSE: BA] Air Force Space Systems received a 2005 Northrop Grumman Mission Systems Supplier Excellence award. The award recognizes outstanding support of Northrop Grumman's ICBM prime integration contract safety enhanced re-entry vehicle program.

"We're honored to receive this award," said John Fuller, vice president, Boeing Air Force Space Systems. "It's another endorsement of the tremendous work being done by our 500 ICBM employees in Utah, California, and at the Air Force's ICBM field locations."

The annual award honors suppliers who have made outstanding contributions to Northrop Grumman Mission Systems' success through technical capability and commitment to producing quality products and services. Suppliers selected for recognition are those who meet the highest criteria for delivery, quality, cost and schedule management, and customer satisfaction.

"The Boeing Company plays a critical role in ensuring the success of our ICBM sustainment and modernization programs, and we look forward to continuing that partnership," said Jerry Agee, corporate vice president and president of Northrop Grumman Mission Systems.

The Safety Enhanced Reentry Vehicle (SERV) Program places Peacekeeper Mark 21 Re-entry Vehicles on Minuteman III missiles. Boeing is modifying Minuteman flight software as well as Minuteman test and support equipment.

"Awards from our customers let us know that we are listening and responding to their needs," added Joyce Bricker, Boeing ICBM Systems' Anaheim-based program manager.

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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