Boeing Names New Tanker Leader

Boeing [NYSE: BA] has named Mark McGraw vice president of Tanker Programs, under Integrated Defense Systems' recently created Precision Engagement and Mobility Systems unit.

Based in St. Louis, McGraw is responsible for sales, development, production and support of Boeing's tanker programs. Currently, Boeing is building KC-767s for two major international customers -- Italy and Japan. Each country will receive four tankers with initial deliveries scheduled for later this year.

The KC-767 Global Tanker is a fuel-efficient, long-range aircraft specifically sized for diverse air-refueling; cargo, troop and passenger transport; and aeromedical evacuation missions.

Most recently, McGraw served as vice president and program manager of the Weapons Enterprise Capability Center (ECC) and managed the Boeing-St. Charles Missouri site. The ECC included management of major programs such as the Joint Direct Attack Munition, Small Diameter Bomb and Harpoon anti-ship missile.

He has held other leadership positions since joining the company in 1980 including director of Naval Weapons, deputy program manager of Multi-Mission Maritime Aircraft and various assignments on the F/A-18 program.

McGraw holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Notre Dame and a master's degree in Engineering Management from Washington University in St. Louis.

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