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The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] has been selected by the U.S. Army as one of six contractors to provide satellite communications systems and services for the World-Wide Satellite Systems program under a five-year, indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity contract valued at up to \$5 billion.

The contract calls for six satellite terminal types, operating on a variety of military and commercial satellite bands, including C, Ku, X and Ka, and services for satellite operation and sustainment. The six types include combat support service very small aperture terminal (VSAT); fixed station satellite terminal; flyaway VSAT satellite terminal; military certified satellite terminal; prime mover/trailer mounted satellite terminal; and deployable satellite earth terminal.

Advanced Information Systems, a unit of Boeing Space and Intelligence Systems, will provide satellite communication systems, as well as engineering and support services, that provide commercial and tactical beyond-line-of-sight communications. Boeing's solution will support current systems and strategic satellite communications to sustain a flexible baseband, while offering continuous technological improvements in performance, logistics supportability, reliability and maintainability.

"Satellite communications have become integral to overall mission success," said Dan Jones, director of Advanced Information Systems. "Boeing has assembled a team of small and large best-of-industry suppliers to deliver turnkey network-centric communications solutions that will enable federal agencies, homeland security, military organizations, and others to quickly respond to emerging requirements."

A unit of The Boeing Company, Integrated Defense Systems is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$30.8 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; a foremost developer of advanced concepts and technologies; 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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