Boeing-led Team Responding to TSAT Space Segment Request for Proposals

The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] and its best-of-industry TEAM TSAT are preparing a response to a U.S. Air Force Request for Proposals issued for the development and production of the Transformational Satellite Communications System (TSAT) Space Segment.

"As the only member of industry who has designed and delivered an operational space-based network, SPACEWAYTM, we stand ready to deliver a compliant, low-risk approach to the TSAT mission," said Howard Chambers, vice president and general manager of Boeing Space and Intelligence Systems. "We are successfully executing our current TSAT Space Segment risk reduction contract, and we've assembled an unparalleled team that will incorporate proven technology into our solution."

Boeing's teammates are Cisco Systems, Hughes, IBM, Harris Corp., Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp., LGS Innovations, Raytheon, General Dynamics, L-3 Communications, BBN, EMS Technologies and SAIC. The proposal is due July 30. A contract award is anticipated by the end of 2007.

The Boeing-led team has showcased TSAT's advanced capabilities and technology maturity throughout the TSAT Space Segment Risk Reduction System Definition contract it is currently executing for the U.S. Air Force. TEAM TSAT has demonstrated laser communications, its Next Generation Processor Router, and the successful delivery of MP-3 files, streaming video multi-cast and voice over Internet protocol services using the Boeing-built SPACEWAY™ satellite currently in orbit.

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