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The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] has named Darryl Davis to the position of president, Advanced Systems, for Boeing Integrated Defense Systems (IDS). Davis replaces George Muellner, who recently announced his intent to retire, effective December 31, 2007.

"Darryl's extensive background in new product development, his leadership and ability to inspire others, and strong customer focus make him an excellent choice to lead this team into the challenging times ahead," said Jim Albaugh, president and CEO, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems.

In his new role, Davis will be responsible for working with the three businesses within IDS -- Precision Engagement & Mobility Systems, Network & Space Systems and Support Systems -- to help them develop cross-cutting concepts and technologies to respond to evolving needs of customers and to address potential new markets.

In announcing the appointment of Davis to this position, Boeing also announced that Advanced Systems headquarters will be moved from Long Beach, Calif. to St. Louis, Mo., where IDS is headquartered. Dr. David Whelan will remain as deputy in Southern California.

"This strategic relocation of the leadership team of this important part of our business will enable us to create greater efficiencies within the organization and provide even better value for our customers," said Albaugh. "Despite the move, the Advanced Systems team will still be able to make effective use of the diverse talent and capabilities at IDS locations throughout the country, including Southern California."

Davis, 53, is a 28-year veteran of Boeing who has held increasingly responsible management and executive positions in the areas of engineering, new technology and business development. Prior to this assignment, Davis served as Vice President & General Manager of Advanced Precision Engagement and Mobility Systems, a position he held since 2006. In that role, Davis was responsible for helping to shape the future of the IDS Precision Engagement and Mobility Systems business around three primary capabilities: persistent intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance and airborne anti-submarine warfare; global attack; and global mobility. Previous assignments include the Vice President for Global Strike Solutions; Vice President & Program Manager for J-UCAS; and Vice President for Business Development. He has a master's of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla and a bachelor's of science degree in Aeronautics and Astronautics from Purdue University.

A unit of The Boeing Company, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is one of the world's largest space and defense businesses specializing in innovative and capabilities-driven customer solutions. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$32.4 billion business with 72,000 employees worldwide.

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