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CHICAGO, May 8 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) Chairman, President and CEO Jim McNerney has named Timothy J. Keating senior vice president for Public Policy, effective June 2. He succeeds Tod R. Hullin, who earlier this year announced his plans to retire from Boeing by the end of 2008.

Keating, 46, currently serves as senior vice president, Government Relations, for Honeywell. At Boeing, he will lead company-wide public policy efforts, including all U.S. federal, state and local government liaison operations. He will report to McNerney from Boeing's Washington, D.C. office and join the company's Executive Council.

"Tim brings to Boeing an impressive record of government service and extensive hands-on experience in government affairs within the aerospace industry," said McNerney. "With his leadership, we will ensure that our company's interests, and our industry's interests, continue to be represented thoroughly and aggressively in Washington, D.C., and with state and local governments throughout the country."

Hullin, who turns 65 this month, joined Boeing in 2003 as senior vice president, Communications and moved in 2006 to his current position. McNerney said that he leaves behind an impressive record. "Tod's skill, strategic perspective and leadership have been crucial to Boeing as we generated remarkable momentum through some challenging times. His contributions are lasting," McNerney added.

Over the next few months, Hullin will work with McNerney and Keating to ensure a smooth transition and continued progress on key Boeing issues and programs.

Prior to joining Honeywell in 2002, Keating was chairman of the board and managing partner at Timmons and Company, a Washington lobbying firm. He also brings business advocacy experience as vice president, Federal Affairs, for the American Council of Life Insurers.

Keating served in the Clinton administration as special assistant to the president and staff director for Legislative Affairs. He also served as director for Government Affairs and co-director of Credentials for the 1996 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, the 1997 presidential inaugural committee, and the 2000 Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles. He joined the Clinton administration in 1992 by serving on the transition team preparing the president's cabinet for Senate confirmation.

Keating is a graduate of the University of Scranton, with a B.S. in political science. He was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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