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Prepares maintenance, repair and overhaul provider in China for the future

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SINGAPORE, Oct. 14 /<u>PRNewswire-FirstCall</u>/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) announced today that Boeing Shanghai Aviation Services Co., Ltd. (Boeing Shanghai) has received its U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Repair Station Certification. The certification allows Boeing Shanghai to conduct operations in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations Part 145.

Boeing Shanghai initially is conducting heavy maintenance on Boeing Next-Generation 737 airplanes. There are more than 235 Next-Generation 737s flying in the East Asia region, with more than 260 still on order. The facility also performs non-destructive testing and other maintenance services. Future plans call for expansion into twin-aisle airplanes, beginning with the 767-300. The company eventually will enter the passenger-to-freighter conversion business.

"Achieving FAA certification is another step in offering our airline customers the services that will help them expand safely and efficiently, while keeping pace with the tremendous growth in commercial aviation that we see in China over the next 20 years," said John Bruns, vice president, China Operations, Boeing Commercial Airplanes.

The Boeing Company is a global enterprise, the world leader in aerospace and a partner in China's aviation industry. Boeing is committed to helping ensure safe, advanced commercial aviation in China.

Boeing Shanghai was established in June 2006 as a joint venture of Boeing, Shanghai Airport Authorities and Shanghai Airlines. Boeing Shanghai will provide modification, maintenance, repair and overhaul services primarily to regional and international airlines as well as to domestic Chinese airlines.

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