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ST. LOUIS, Nov. 17, 2008 -- The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] today announced it is changing the name of its Integrated Defense Systems (IDS) business in Australia to Boeing Defence Australia. John Duddy is appointed vice president and managing director of Boeing Defence Australia effective Dec. 8, 2008.

The new name and leadership appointment build on a recent reorganization as the company seeks to further strengthen relationships with Australian military customers and position itself for future growth in Australia.

"Australia is an important customer to Boeing. We very much value both our armed services customer and the team that we have in place there," said Jim Albaugh, president and CEO of Boeing IDS. "These changes bring our Australia operations and Boeing's global IDS businesses into closer alignment, allowing us to more effectively provide support and solutions to our customers."

Duddy will be responsible for positioning Boeing Defence Australia for continued success in global defense markets. His career with Boeing spans 26 years. Prior to this appointment, he was program director of Global Positioning Systems (GPS) Programs for IDS Space and Intelligence Systems in Seal Beach, Calif. In that role, he was responsible for executing U.S. government contracts to develop and deploy GPS satellites, as well as sustainment contracts for U.S. legacy satellite systems.

Duddy is a Georgia Institute of Technology industrial engineering graduate and currently serves on the institute's Industry Advisory Board for the School of Materials Science and Engineering.

Boeing Defence Australia, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Boeing Company and a business unit of Boeing Integrated Defense Systems, is a leading Australian aerospace enterprise. With a world-class team of more than 2,300 employees at 15 locations throughout Australia and three international sites, Boeing Defence Australia supports some of the largest and most complex defense projects in Australia.

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, and the world's largest and most versatile manufacturer of military aircraft. Headquartered in St. Louis, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems is a \$32.1 billion business with 71,000 employees worldwide.

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