

Boeing Delivers 25,000th CSEL Search and Rescue Communications System

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif., Sept. 10, 2009-- The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] on July 31 delivered the 25,000th Combat Survivor Evader Locator (CSEL) combat search and rescue communications system to the U.S. joint services, expanding their ability to reach and rescue isolated pilots or combat personnel.

"CSEL is like a global 911 emergency call system for downed personnel, providing U.S. forces with a tactical advantage," said Michael Bates, Boeing CSEL program manager. "With this easy-to-use, multifunction radio system, rescue forces can quickly locate, authenticate and communicate with isolated personnel for urgent recovery operations."

The CSEL system uses a flexible, modular communications architecture over multiple satellite links for dependable, secure communications. The system features military-precision Global Positioning System (GPS) technology, which offers greater security and accuracy than commercial GPS.

"Downed pilots and combat forces benefit from CSEL's improved satellite communications capabilities, enhanced coordination and ability to deliver critical information seamlessly," added Bates. "This network-centric system combines everything forces need into one handheld capability."

Boeing's current CSEL contract is held with the U.S. Air Force Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass. The company manages the program for the joint services from its facility in Huntington Beach.

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