First Boeing 747-8 Freighter Leaves Paint Hangar

EVERETT, Wash., Nov. 18 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) moved the first747-8 Freighter out of the paint hangar in Everett, Wash., Tuesday night sporting a special "light" livery.

Painted white with blue accents, the 747-8 Freighter unveiled a new twist on the Boeing Commercial Airplanes livery. It features an oversized "8" on the background of the tail as well as "747-8" on the belly.

The light livery, which saves time and expense compared to the full Boeing livery, will remain on the airplane until the flight-test program is completed. After flight test, it will be refurbished and delivered to a customer.

The first freighter will begin preparing for the necessary tests leading up to first flight in early 2010.

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