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HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif., Oct. 7, 2010— The Boeing Company [NYSE: BA] on Aug. 27 delivered the 40,000th 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 provides U.S. forces with a tactical advantage by serving as a global emergency-call system for downed personnel," said Michael Bates, Boeing CSEL program manager. "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.

"This network-centric system combines everything downed pilots and combat forces need in one easy-to-use, multifunction radio," Bates added. "Boeing is currently working with the U.S. Air Force on next-generation system improvements."

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