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CHICAGO, Jan. 13, 2011 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) has named Kim Hammonds chief information officer and vice president of the company's Information Technology organization. Hammonds, who was formerly vice president of the Boeing Information Technology Infrastructure organization, replaces John Hinshaw, who has been named vice president and general manager of Boeing's new Information Solutions division in Boeing Defense, Space & Security.

Hammonds, 43, will report to John Tracy, Boeing chief technology officer and senior vice president of Engineering, Operations & Technology. She will lead the Information Technology organization and be responsible for all IT strategy, systems, infrastructure, architecture, processes and people companywide. "Kim's extensive background and demonstrated leadership will ensure both the continuity and success of Boeing's efforts to integrate and streamline its global operations with the most capable, reliable and secure IT system in the world," said Tracy.

In her previous role, Hammonds was responsible for developing and maintaining solutions inclusive of network, computing, server, storage, collaboration and infrastructure technologies. She joined Boeing in August 2008 as the vice president of Boeing IT's Business Systems Organization, where she managed application, development and maintenance activities in support of Finance, HR, Internal Services, Sales/Marketing and Boeing Capital Corporation.

Prior to joining Boeing, Hammonds was director of Americas Manufacturing Operations at Dell where she was responsible for global systems development for service logistics, supply chain and quality systems. She was also responsible for IT production support for all 18 global manufacturing operations.

Before joining Dell in 2007, Hammonds was with the Ford Motor Company for 16 years, where she held positions in product engineering, manufacturing, quality, marketing and Information Technology leadership roles. Her last position at Ford was as director of Manufacturing Systems for North America, supporting 48 plants, manufacturing engineering, supply chain and production systems.

Hammonds received an MBA from Western Michigan University and a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan. She is an active supporter of the American Cancer Society and is the founder and president of a non-profit organization providing art programs for cancer patients, which she established in 2004.

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