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SEATTLE, Feb. 17, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) on Wednesday made a surprise donation of \$26,000 to Washington State Leadership & Assistance for Science Education Reform (LASER). Boeing's donation comes from proceeds from its sponsorship of the IMAX film "Legends of Flight." The presentation took place during the monthly executive board meeting at the Pacific Science Center in Seattle, Wash.

"Boeing is delighted to be able to support this great organization in its effort to give teachers and principals the training and resources they need to improve science instruction statewide and beyond," said Tim Copes, vice president of Manufacturing and Quality, Boeing Commercial Airplanes, and board member at the Pacific Science Center. "We expect this to be the first of many donations to educate, engage and motivate children in science as the film continues to open at theaters around the world."

Additional financial donations will be made to support science-related initiatives as "Legends of Flight" continues to play at theaters around the world. Boeing receives 10 cents for each ticket sold.

The film highlights legendary 20th century airplanes, as well as the manufacturing, testing, rollout and first flight of the 787 Dreamliner, the first all-new airplane of the 21st century.

"The film is a tribute to all of the people who made the 787 possible," said Scott Fancher, vice president and general manager of the 787 program. "And through the great work of Washington LASER, the film is now assisting schools with research-based science programs. We see this donation as an investment in creating a future workforce that is inspired to launch the next generation of discoveries, innovations and inventions."

"Legends of Flight" opened on June 8, 2010, and is currently running in more than 30 theaters around the world. For a complete listing of theaters playing "Legends of Flight," go to <http://www.legendsofflightfilm.com/>.

Washington State LASER is a partnership program that started in 1999 with the National Science Resources Center (NSRC), the Washington State Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Pacific Northwest National Laboratories, Pacific Science Center and Educational Service Districts and lead school districts from across Washington state. For more information, go to <http://www.wastatelaser.org/>.

Support for Washington State LASER, and many other community partners, is given through the Global Corporate Citizenship (GCC) organization at Boeing. GCC refers to the work that Boeing does in its diverse communities, both as a company and individual employees. The economic well-being of the Pacific Northwest region and the vibrancy of its communities are foundational components to the region's long-term health and viability. Boeing plays a significant role in ensuring the Northwest Region provides for strong, vibrant communities through its support of arts and culture, civic, education, environment and health and human services needs. In 2010 Boeing contributed more than \$20 million to organizations in Northwest communities where employees work and live.

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