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OKLAHOMA CITY, March 9, 2011 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] today announced that it is hiring in Oklahoma City for a variety of positions to staff a new engineering design center that will produce upgrades for the C-130 Hercules and the B-1 Lancer aircraft.

As the company announced in August 2010, these programs will begin to transition from Long Beach, Calif., to Oklahoma City this April. The transition will shift 550 jobs to Oklahoma City by the end of 2012 and create 150 open positions this year.

"Boeing has started posting jobs for a variety of skill sets on our <u>website</u>," said Mike Emmelhainz, Boeing Oklahoma City site director. "Hiring new and diverse talent for the new engineering design center is important because of what they bring to the work force -- namely, exposure to new ideas."

Boeing's highly skilled work force is a key asset to developing and delivering world-class aerospace products and services. Boeing offers jobs with opportunities for growth and development.

"We support our employees in increasing their job-related knowledge and skills through formal learning programs and other opportunities," said Emmelhainz.

Current recruiting is targeted at talent in engineering disciplines, including embedded software; structural; design and analysis; wire design and install; and systems. Business support jobs for the C-130 and B-1 programs also are available, including business planning and supply chain positions.

Transitioning the programs to Oklahoma will help Boeing provide a more affordable cost structure for customers, as well as make the company more competitive for new business.

The Oklahoma City facility includes 50,000 square feet of space that is being remodeled to accommodate the C-130 employees who will begin arriving in April.

Current information on specific job opportunities related to the B-1 and C-130 programs in Oklahoma is available at http://jobs-boeing.com/okc.

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