Boeing Honors Supplier Performance Excellence

16 businesses receive Supplier of the Year awards

SEATTLE, May 19, 2011 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] has recognized 16 companies as top suppliers for their superior performance and ability to achieve high levels of customer satisfaction in 2010.

The companies, honored as Boeing Supplier of the Year winners Wednesday night in Seattle at the Boeing Global Supplier Conference, were selected from a pool of more than 17,500 Boeing suppliers in more than 50 countries.

"These companies are an incredibly strong group of suppliers that delivered outstanding results, superior performance and top-notch customer satisfaction in 2010," said Jim McNerney, Boeing chairman, president and CEO. "We appreciate their efforts as part of our team."

"Boeing's Supplier of the Year program highlights the work being done to partner with world-class suppliers who deliver outstanding products and services," said Stan Deal, vice president and general manager of Supplier Management for Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "We view our suppliers as an extension of our production facilities. They bring us a combination of quality, capability, capacity and technology that enables us to meet and exceed customer expectations."

The Boeing global supply chain is among the most complex and geographically dispersed in manufacturing. The company annually purchases more than $40 billion in goods and services from approximately 28,000 suppliers employing more than 1.2 million workers around the globe.

The winning suppliers were chosen based on statistical measurements of quality, on-time delivery, post-delivery support, cost and their ability to anticipate and respond to changing customer requirements.

The list of award categories and honored companies follows. For more information on each supplier, click on the company names below. Each supplier also is profiled in this video gallery.

Aerospace Support
Delaware Resource Group of Oklahoma LLC -- Oklahoma City

Avionics
Giga-tronics Incorporated, MicroSource Division -- Santa Rosa, Calif.

Common Aerospace Commodity
AMI Metals Inc. -- Brentwood, Tenn.

Diversity
Genesis Performance Systems Inc. -- West Linn, Ore.

Electrical/Hydraulic/Mechanical Standards
Bridgestone Corporation -- Tokyo

Interiors
GM Nameplate -- Seattle

International
University of Sheffield Advanced Manufacturing Research Center -- Rotherham, U.K.

Major Structures
Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd. -- Tokyo

Non-Production
Infotech Enterprises -- Hyderabad, India

Propulsion
CFM -- West Chester, Ohio

Purchased Outside Production
Valent Aerostructures, DACA Division LLC -- Dutzow, Mo.

Technology
Serco -- Colorado Springs, Colo.

Leader's Choice Awards:

Academia
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization -- Clayton South, Australia

Advantage (exceeding cost-performance goals and objectives)
Pugh Capital Management -- Seattle

Alliance (sharing risks in introduction of new products)
Vector Aerospace Helicopter Services Inc. -- Gosport, Hampshire, U.K.

Pathfinder (outstanding performance improvements)
Korea Aerospace Industries Ltd. -- Sacheon City, Korea

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