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12-month, \$2.9M task order part of A-10 Thunderbolt Life-Cycle Program Support

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 6, 2011 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] today announced it has been awarded a one-year, \$2.9 million contract by the U.S. Air Force to develop and validate a modification of the A-10 aircraft's Digital Video Audio Data Recorder (DVADR). The modification will provide a near-term solution to supportability issues with a major subcomponent in the DVADR system.

The contract is a task order under the umbrella of the A-10 Thunderbolt Life-Cycle Program Support (TLPS) contract that is administered by the Air Force A-10 System Program Office. The contract announced today is the sixth A-10 TLPS contract the Air Force has awarded to Boeing.

"This task order allows Boeing to continue to enhance the performance of the A-10 and keep this invaluable asset ready to support the warfighter," said Jerry Dunmire, A-10 program director for Boeing. "The Boeing team is ready to apply its innovation and cost-saving initiatives."

The A-10 Thunderbolt II, also known as the Warthog, was introduced into the Air Force inventory in 1976. The twin-engine, single-seat aircraft provides close-air support to ground forces and employs a wide variety of conventional munitions against ground targets.

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