

Boeing, Super Hornet Suppliers Tour Brazilian Companies

Delegation tours industries in state of Minas Gerais with potential for working with Boeing supply chain

BELO HORIZONTE, Brazil, April 13, 2012 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] and its Super Hornet industry partners toured the Brazilian state of Minas Gerais March 20-22 to assess the aerospace capabilities of local companies and to identify opportunities for work with Boeing and its worldwide supply chain.

Representatives from Boeing, General Electric, GKN Aerospace, Hamilton Sundstrand, Northrop Grumman, Parker Aerospace, and Woodward participated in the review. A dozen companies in Belo Horizonte, Contagem and Itajuba, all in the state of Minas Gerais, have been added to Boeing's list of eligible bidders and will have the chance to bid when procurement opportunities arise in their areas of expertise.

"The industry surveys that Boeing is conducting in Brazil are valuable in forging long-term business relationships with companies that can help offer the right solutions to our customers -- both government and commercial," said Susan Colegrove, regional director of International Strategic Partnerships for Boeing Defense, Space & Security. "Brazilian companies have demonstrated expertise in aerospace work, research and development, and a broad range of internal services that may support Boeing operations and our extended supply chain."

The Boeing-led industry tours are part of ongoing outreach throughout Brazil in support of the industrial partnership program for the F-X2 fighter jet campaign, based on Brazilian Air Force requirements.

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