Boeing to Maintain US Navy Maritime Patrol Aircraft Trainers

New 5-year contract includes maintenance on training devices for 6 platforms

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4, 2012 -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] will maintain U.S. Navy aircrew training devices for six aircraft types under a new $56 million contract, setting the stage for the company's expansion into trainer maintenance for militaries worldwide.

The five-year contract, which began Dec. 1, involves P-3C, EP-3, P-8A, EA-6B, EA-18G and SH-60B training devices. They are located at Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville, Fla.; Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii; NAS Whidbey Island, Wash., and Kadena Air Base, Japan.

"This addition to our portfolio is strategically important as we bolster our maritime patrol trainer maintenance business, especially internationally," said Mark McGraw, Boeing vice president for Training Systems and Government Services.

Under a separate Navy contract, Boeing will deliver training systems for its P-8A aircraft to NAS Jacksonville next year. Other sites will follow as that program moves into full-rate production. Boeing will provide trainers and all support functions for U.S. Navy P-8A aircrew training.

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