Boeing Opens New Everett Delivery Center

State of the art facility benefits 747-8, 767, 777 and 787 customers

EVERETT, Wash., April 3, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Boeing [NYSE:BA] today opened its new expanded Everett Delivery Center (EDC), a world-class facility which will be the home of deliveries for the 747-8, 767, 777 and 787. The grand opening ceremony was attended by Boeing employees, customers and state dignitaries.

"Boeing is producing market-leading commercial airplanes at its highest rates ever," said Pat Shanahan, senior vice president and general manager, Airplane Programs, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "The new facility enables us to meet growing demands and continue doing what our team does best – exceed customer expectations."

The 180,000 sq. ft. facility triples the amount of office, conference and delivery operations space as the old EDC and is designed to increase operational efficiencies.

"I want to congratulate The Boeing Company and its hard-working employees on the new Everett Delivery Center. This facility shows the strength of the aerospace industry in Washington and is a sign that the state's long history with the company will continue to grow," said Governor Jay Inslee. "As production rates increase and the company looks to roll out new airplane derivatives in Washington, it is clear this facility is going to see a lot of use."

The building features three floors dedicated to customers and the delivery experience. Amenities include a customer lounge, a Tully's cafe, over 20 conference rooms, four contract signing rooms and 35 offices to support resident customers and on-site delivery teams. The building's highlight, a customer event area, offers sweeping views the Olympic Mountains beyond the neighboring flightline and Paine Field.

"Last year we delivered a record 183 airplanes and this new facility will help us continue to increase deliveries," said Tom Maxwell, Everett Delivery Center vice president. "The expanded space will also allow us to keep pace with customer demands."

Seattle-based DLR Group created the "Embrace the Plane" design which features a unique, curved architecture. The design allows airplanes to pull up to the building and connect by custom boarding bridges, enhancing ease of customer travel. Construction led by Skanska began in March 2012.

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