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Boeing offers unmatched technical expertise to the Air Force Research Laboratory

MAUI, Hawaii, Sept. 9, 2014 – Boeing [NYSE: BA] will showcase its research developments and unique qualifications to support the U.S. Air Force's ground-based space surveillance mission during the Advanced Maui Optical and Space Surveillance (AMOS) Technologies Conference Sept. 9-12.

Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) sites on Maui's Mt. Haleakala and at New Mexico's Kirtland Air Force Base house sophisticated telescopes that capture images of satellites and space debris in both near-Earth and deep-space orbit. Boeing has operated, maintained and modernized the optical systems at both locations since 2006 under the AFRL Innovative Research and Optical Support Services (IROSS) contract.

"Boeing has provided doctoral-level research in optical technologies to the Air Force since the early '90s, enabling the military to improve space surveillance capabilities as technologies advance," said Peggy Morse, vice president of Boeing Directed Energy & Strategic Systems.

"From routine yet highly technical maintenance procedures to laser system upgrades for the nation's largest telescopes, Boeing has helped our customer capture clear images of orbiting spacecraft and avoid disruptions to critical operations," Morse said.

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