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Services suite to ease airplane entry into service, reduce overall fleet operating costs

SEATTLE, July 14, 2015 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Boeing [NYSE: BA] announced today that Oman Air has contracted for a suite of services to support the upcoming entry into service of the airline's 787 Dreamliners and to ensure ongoing efficiency and cost savings for its fleet.

"Boeing's industry-leading services will ensure a smooth introduction of our 787s while controlling costs, minimizing component maintenance time and optimizing our fleet's performance," said Salim Al Kindy, Chief Technical Officer, Oman Air. "This falls in line with our Shape and Size concept, as we continue to expand our global presence with a young, state of the art fleet of aircraft. This extremely high level of technical support, combined with an award winning service, ensures we continue to stay ahead of our customers' expectations."

Boeing will support Oman Air's 787s with its Component Services (formerly Rotables Exchange) program, Loadable Software Airplane Parts service and Airplane Health Management. Together, these services will help Oman Air minimize the time and cost of maintenance while increasing airplane availability.

With the Component Services program, Oman Air will have access to a Boeing-managed, dedicated pool of highvalue, mission-critical parts, enabling the airline to greatly reduce their inventory management costs while improving component availability.

Through the Loadable Software Airplane Parts service, Boeing will handle software configuration and management tasks associated with operating the 787.

Airplane Health Management will allow Oman Air to minimize maintenance delays and schedule disruptions by continuously monitoring airplane performance while the airplane is in flight, notifying ground crews in advance of potential maintenance issues.

"Boeing services are a simple way for airlines to reduce the total cost of airplane ownership, giving them a competitive advantage in their markets," said Marty Bentrott, senior vice president, Sales for Russia, Middle East and Central Asia, Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "We look forward to helping ensure our key customer and partner Oman Air is successful as they begin operating this revolutionary airplane."

Oman Air, the designated carrier of the Sultanate of Oman, has six 787s on order.

Boeing Commercial Aviation Services offers the industry's largest portfolio of services including 24-hour customer support; pilot and crew training; aftermarket parts; airplane maintenance, engineering and modifications; and information services to enable airlines and leasing companies to operate more efficiently.

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