March 23, 2020
Subject: Boeing Puget Sound Temporary Production Suspension

Dear Boeing Supplier:

Today we announced a temporary suspension of production operations at our Puget Sound-area facilities due to the accelerating spread of coronavirus COVID-19 in Washington state. These actions are being taken to ensure the well-being of employees, their families and the local community, and will include an orderly shutdown consistent with the requirements of our customers.

We plan to begin reducing production activity today and project the suspension of operations to begin on Wednesday, March 25 at sites across the Puget Sound area. The suspension of production operations will last 14 days, during which Boeing will continue to monitor government guidance and actions on COVID-19 and its related impacts on all company operations.

Boeing is working to minimize the impact of this suspension on the company’s ability to deliver and support its defense and space customers. We are working with these customers to develop plans that ensure their programs are supported throughout this period. Critical distribution operations, including the Seattle Distribution Center, in support of airline, government, and maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) customers will continue.

We will keep our employees, customers and supply chain top of mind as we continue to assess the evolving situation. This is an unprecedented time for organizations and communities across the globe.

When the suspension is lifted, Boeing will take an orderly approach to restarting production with a focus on safety, quality and meeting customer commitments with integrity. This will be a key step to enabling the aerospace sector to bridge to recovery.

We ask you to stay in close touch with your Boeing Authorized Procurement Agent or other Boeing Supply Chain team members. Guidance for non-Boeing personnel who work at or visit sites in the Puget Sound can be found here.

For up-to-date information on Boeing’s response, visit Boeing Information on Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the supplier portal.

Please continue to take care of yourselves, your families and your community as we all do our best to navigate and eventually overcome this global pandemic.

Stay safe,

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