

Boeing Expands AH-64E Apache Supply Chain to Australia

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- Marks the first time Australian suppliers will provide components for new Apaches, including 29 for Australia.
- Boeing's supply chain supports Australian industry capability and job growth.

For the first time, Boeing [NYSE: BA] will hire Australian companies to supply parts for its AH-64E Apache Suppliers will provide components for new Apaches including Australia's future fleet of 29 Apaches.

Australian companies Cablex and Thomas Global Systems respectively will manufacture cabling, and design and manufacture cockpit avionics components for the global fleet of Apaches.

For the Australian fleet of Apaches, four companies – Cablex, Ferra, Axiom Precision Manufacturing and Mincham – were selected to supply wire harnesses, electrical panels, vertical spar box, machined parts, fairings and composites.

“By partnering with the Australian government and investing in local businesses including small-and-medium enterprises, this agreement will help create jobs, develop Australia's aerospace and manufacturing capability, and grow the local economy,” said Kathleen Jolivette, vice president and general manager of Boeing Vertical Lift.

The supplier contracts are part of an agreement signed by Boeing and Defence Australia at the Avalon 2023 Australian International Airshow. The agreement also acknowledges the benefit of the Australian Global Supply Chain (GSC) Program that delivers export opportunities into Boeing's supply chain.

“Defence has worked diligently with US Army, Boeing and local industry to ensure we are providing the best capability for the Australian Defence Force,” said Major General Jeremy King, Head of Defence's Joint Aviation Systems Division.

“We look forward to continuing to work together through this agreement signed today to seek further opportunities for local industry involvement in both the production of Australia's Apaches and the broader global fleet product and support activities.”

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