

## **Ball Aerospace Receives Supplier of the Year Award from Boeing**

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BOULDER, Colo., April 19, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. has been honored by The Boeing Company as a 2012 "Supplier of the Year" for outstanding avionics work, specifically on the F/A-18 and Harpoon antenna programs. The award was presented during a ceremony in San Diego, CA on April 18.

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Boeing annually acknowledges companies in 16 categories, selected from more than 17,500 suppliers from 50 countries worldwide. Each company is chosen based on statistical measurements of quality, on-time delivery, post-delivery support, cost, and the ability to anticipate and respond to changing customer requirements.

"We are very pleased to be honored by Boeing for the outstanding day-to-day performance delivered by Ball employees on programs critical to our nation," said Rob Freedman, vice president and general manager of Ball's Tactical Solutions business unit. "Harpoon is one of our longest-running programs and demonstrates our outstanding relationship with Boeing and the confidence they have in the quality of our work."

The award is presented to companies that consistently demonstrate excellence and exceed expectations in the delivery of high-quality products and services to Boeing.

"These partners are critical to helping Boeing provide our customers the most affordable, highest-quality products and services possible," said Jack House, leader of Boeing's Supplier Management function.

Ball Aerospace has been continually improving conformal high performance array antennas and has provided Boeing thousands of antennas over 33 years for the Harpoon anti-ship and land-strike missile. Additionally, the Ball Aerospace Tactical Solutions antenna unit has delivered over 500 F/A-18 units in the past decade, with 100 percent on-time delivery and quality.

Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp. supports critical missions for national agencies such as the Department of Defense, NASA, NOAA and other U.S. government and commercial entities. The company develops and manufactures spacecraft, advanced instruments and sensors, components, data exploitation systems and RF solutions for strategic, tactical and scientific applications. For more information, visit [www.ballaerospace.com](http://www.ballaerospace.com).

Ball Corporation (NYSE: BLL) is a supplier of high quality packaging for beverage, food and household products customers, and of aerospace and other technologies and services, primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ approximately 15,000 people worldwide and reported 2012 sales of more than \$8.7 billion. For the latest Ball news and for other company information, please visit <http://www.ball.com>.

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