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### **Boeing to Invest \$2.6 Million in its Macon, Georgia Facility**

**Macon, Georgia** - The Boeing Company facility in Macon has been awarded a contract to produce the AFT Fuselage Assembly for the Chinook CH-47 helicopter. The contract means Boeing will invest \$2.6 million into the facility, 11 jobs will be retained and 20 new ones created in Bibb County instead of going to other Boeing facilities or suppliers across the USA, which also competed for the contract.

The Macon site became part of the Boeing Company in 1997 with the merger of its original parent, McDonnell Douglas. Currently, it produces sub-assemblies for the C-17 Globemaster airplane and the Apache Ah-64 helicopter, including flight control surfaces, doors, large and small skin panels, avionic structures.

In 2003, the plant received the Georgia Oglethorpe Award, the state's highest level of recognition for organizational performance excellence. The Macon Boeing facility was also named one of the top ten manufacturing plants in North America in 2004 by Industry Week magazine and large business of the year by the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce. Boeing also earned the 2004 Best Plants award.

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