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**JIM MCNERNEY** is chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of The Boeing Company. He oversees the strategic direction of the Chicago-based, \$81.7 billion aerospace company.

With more than 174,000 employees across the United States and in 70 countries, Boeing is the world's largest aerospace company and a top U.S. exporter. It is the leading manufacturer of commercial airplanes, military aircraft, and defense, space and security systems; it supports airlines and U.S. and allied government customers in more than 150 nations.

Before taking the helm at Boeing on July 1, 2005, McNerney served as chairman of the board and CEO of 3M, then a \$20 billion global technology company. He joined 3M in 2000 after 19 years at the General Electric Company, where he held a series of top executive positions.

By appointment of President Barack Obama, McNerney chairs the President's Export Council, which operates as an advisory committee on international trade.

He also chairs Business Roundtable, an association of chief executive officers of leading U.S. companies; is a member of the CEO Fiscal Leadership Council; and serves on the board of trustees of the Washington, D.C.-based Center for Strategic and International Studies.

McNerney is a director of Boeing, Procter & Gamble, and IBM. He is also a member The Field Museum Board of Trustees, a trustee of Northwestern University, and a member of the Northwestern Memorial Health-Care Board.

A native of Providence, R.I., McNerney earned a B.A. degree from Yale University in 1971 and an M.B.A. from Harvard University in 1975. He is married and has five children. He enjoys skiing, golf, hiking and hockey.

A 1967 graduate of New Trier, he played center in hockey, center in football, and pitcher on the baseball team. In his senior year, he was president of the TriShip Boys Club.

