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John Elbon is the vice president and program manager, Constellation, formerly known as Space Exploration Systems. Elbon will lead Boeing efforts on the Crew Exploration Vehicle (CEV), Crew Launch Vehicle (CLV) and other NASA Constellation program elements. Boeing is teamed with Northrop Grumman in pursuit of NASA's CEV and CLV programs.

Elbon most recently served as International Space Station (ISS) vice president and program manager. Elbon led Boeing in its role as prime integrating contractor for NASA's International Space Station (ISS) contract to design, develop, test, launch and operate the orbiting laboratory. The multi-billion dollar contract requires the coordination of several thousand Boeing employees in five major locations as well as subcontractors and suppliers located in 23 states across the United States. Contract initiatives also include integrating the contributions of the 16 ISS international partners.

Prior to leading the ISS team, Elbon managed the CAPPS (Checkout, Assembly and Payload Processing Services) contract at Kennedy Space Center, Fla. This team is responsible for the final assembly and testing of the ISS and other space shuttle payloads.

John started with Boeing, then McDonnell Douglas, in 1982 as a member of the mission control team in Houston, Texas. He moved to Florida in 1984 as a systems and integration engineer on the Spacelab program. Following the Challenger accident in 1986, he volunteered to participate in space station definition studies in Huntington Beach and remained as a member of the team that prepared the proposal for design

and development. He returned to KSC in 1987 and has held project management positions of increasing responsibility on the space station program since.

He holds a Bachelors of Aerospace Engineering degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology. His wife, Leigh, and their two daughters, Megan (16) and Bre'anna (10) live with him in Houston, Texas. His hobbies include running, skiing, golf, woodworking and flying.

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