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Delegation: Crosby Firm Wins High-Tech Contract *Boeing Delivers Major Deal for Growing Crosby Company*

Washington – Senators Kent Conrad and Byron Dorgan and Rep. Earl Pomeroy announced today that SEO Precision, a growing Crosby firm, has won a \$400,000 contract with Boeing to develop high-tech reflective mirrors as part of a new generation of weapons systems.

“North Dakota has the entrepreneurial talent and high-tech ability to compete for contracts with some of the top businesses in the world,” the delegation said in a joint statement. “We’re extremely proud that a family-run North Dakota firm like SEO Precision won this contract. This is the kind of economic development that creates good-paying jobs in our state.”

The “fast-steering mirror” is to be used as part of a computer-enabled guiding system. It will be able to make thousands of small adjustments every second. Besides weapons-guidance systems, the fast-steering mirror may eventually have an astronomical application.

SEO Precision is owned and operated by Shawn and Esther Oehlke, who are husband-and-wife as well as high-tech entrepreneurial business partners.

“Shawn and I are elated over the opportunity that this presents, both for SEO Precision and for North Dakota. The attention and support of our U.S. Senate delegation for high-tech small business development and growth is unrivaled in any other state,” said Esther M. Oehlke, CEO of Precision. “SEO has brought a level of contract opportunity to rural North Dakota that has not been achieved before. We fully commit to continue in that path, using all the fine resources that have come to us as a result of establishing our business here.”

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