

## **DHS Announces SBInet Contract Award to Boeing**

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The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced today the award of a contract with the Boeing Co. to implement SBInet along the United States northern and southern borders. The landmark SBInet program will provide DHS, and its agents and officers, with the best possible solution to detect, identify, classify, respond to and resolve illegal entry attempts at our land borders with Mexico and Canada.

Announced last year by Secretary Chertoff, the Secure Border Initiative (SBI) is a comprehensive plan to control our borders and stem the flow of illegal immigration through an integrated mix of increased staffing, more robust interior enforcement, greater investment in detection technology and infrastructure, and enhanced coordination on federal, state, local, and international levels.

A critical component of the SBI strategy is SBInet, a program focused on transforming border control through technology and infrastructure. SBInet will provide frontline personnel advantages in securing the nation's land borders by fielding the most effective mix of current and next generation technology, infrastructure, staffing, and response platforms.

"SBInet will integrate the latest technology and infrastructure to interdict illegal immigration and stop threats attempting to cross borders," said DHS Secretary Michael Chertoff. "This strategic partnership allows the department to exploit private sector ingenuity and expertise to quickly secure our nation's borders."

The SBInet solution will be deployed using a homeland security threat-based approach. A model of the entire solution mix will be deployed at the Southwest border during the next eight months. Following this initial deployment, additional task orders will be issued focusing on the Southwest border first.

Boeing's award of the SBInet acquisition was made through a full and open best value competition. The SBInet contract is an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) type contract with a performance period of three years, with a potential for three one-year long contract extensions. U.S. Customs and Border Protection's SBI Program Management Office serves as executive agent for the department's SBInet program—leading, managing and working with Boeing to implement this comprehensive multi-year plan to secure America's borders and reduce illegal migration.