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Personal Profile

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Biographical Summary:

Bob Jenkins is a highly experienced manager and leader who spent his entire professional career, of approximately 40 years, in aviation or aviation-related pursuits. Prior to joining DOE as Director, Office of Aviation Management (OAM), Bob served 30+ years in the United States Air Force and retired in the grade of Brigadier General. While in the Air Force, he served in a wide range of flying and staff assignments, both in the Continental United States and overseas in Europe and Asia. He has 3000+ hours flying experience primarily in fighter aircraft, including approximately 300 hours in combat while flying the F-4, Phantom in Viet Nam. While serving as a senior officer, he acquired significant aviation management experience by commanding aviation organizations at Squadron, Wing and Numbered Air Force levels and by serving in key headquarters staff positions, ranging from Headquarters USAF to Major Regional Command and Numbered Air Force Headquarters. Immediately prior to joining DOE, Bob was President of EXCO, Inc, a small business, engineering services and software integration and marketing company that specialized in support for aviation repair depots. For the past seven years, he has served as DOE's first full time Director of the Office of Aviation Management.

Field of Expertise/Assignments:

- Aviation Program management and leadership
- Aviation operations management
- Aviation logistics support
- Aviation Safety
- Aviation fleet and force planning
- Business/financial management of Aviation operation
- Policy development and implementation
- Training development and management
- Program oversight and quality assurance
- Performance measurement

Experience:

- Forty years experience in aviation operations and logistics
- Extensive experience managing and directing large aircraft organizations—commanded 3 Air Force Fighter Wings (50—85 aircraft each) and served as Deputy Commander for all Air Forces in Korea
- Headquarters staff experience planning and directing aviation operations and logistics—served as NATO War Planner, Headquarters USAF Deputy Director of Operations, and Pacific Air Forces Director of Logistics
- Experience in managing high risk aviation operations—commanded all air forces in Iceland where bad flying weather is an issue and risk almost every day of the year
- Experience in evaluating aircraft and equipment capability and suitability—served as Deputy Commander of Operations and ran flying operations of the AF Tactical Air Warfare Center where a large part of operational suitability testing was conducted for new aircraft and weapons systems by the Air Force.
- Gained significant business management experience as president of EXCO, Inc. , a defense logistics contractor, prior to joining DOE
- Seven years experience in leading and supporting DOE's Aviation Program
- Chaired DOE Aviation Board of Directors since 2000
- Interagency experience gained as DOE representative on the Interagency Committee for Aviation Policy
- Experienced as DOE Independent Oversight Aviation Audit Team Leader.

Aviation Experience, Certifications, Licenses, or Specialized Training:

- AF Command Pilot
- 3000+ flight hours
- Commercial Pilot License

Awards and Decorations:

- Air Force Distinguished Service Medal
- Legion of Merit (2)
- Distinguished Flying Cross (2)
- Air Medal (11)
- Meritorious Service Medal (2)
- Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry
- DOE Special Service Award 2004