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Mr. Chet Thorne is Vice President of Engineering and Product Development for SNC. He is based at SNC's Rocky Mountain Campus facility in Englewood, Colorado. Chet's responsibilities include Functional Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, and the Test & Evaluation Organizations for SNC's ISR, Aviation and Security (IAS) Business Area. His teams are responsible for Engineering Tools, Procedures, Technology Development, Test Evaluation, as well as Manufacturing integration and planning.

Mr. Thorne joined SNC in October 2021 from Textron Aviation, where he worked under multiple company banners including Hawker Beechcraft Corporation and Raytheon Aircraft for the past 27 years. He is an experienced technical leader, having led multiple new aircraft development efforts from preliminary design through test and certification. He most recently led the Citation Longitude Program as the Director of Jet Product Development – and later led the platform's market introduction as Director of Product Support & Technical Services. Prior to Longitude, Chet led the Functional Engineering organization at Beechcraft and various other full-scope aircraft and derivative / modification programs – having spent much of his early career in the experimental test world.

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