

## Media Release

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### For Immediate Release

### **AEI Signs Contract with Pinnacle Partners for Two CRJ200 SF Freighter Conversions**

**Miami, FL – October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017** – Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI) is pleased to announce the company has signed a contract to provide two (2) CRJ200 SF freighter conversions to Pinnacle Partners. The first CRJ200 (MSN 7421) will commence modification in November with redelivery scheduled for March 2018. The second CRJ200 (MSN 7417) will commence modification in December, with redelivery scheduled for April 2018. Both freighter conversions will take place at Commercial Jet’s Dothan, Alabama facility, which is one of five authorized AEI Conversion Centers worldwide.

“We are excited to add two AEI CRJ200 SF freighters to our portfolio,” said Alden Crowley, CEO of Pinnacle Partners. “We believe the CRJ200 freighter is a great solution for short-haul freight operations and plan to acquire another two CRJ200 aircraft for cargo conversion in 2018.”

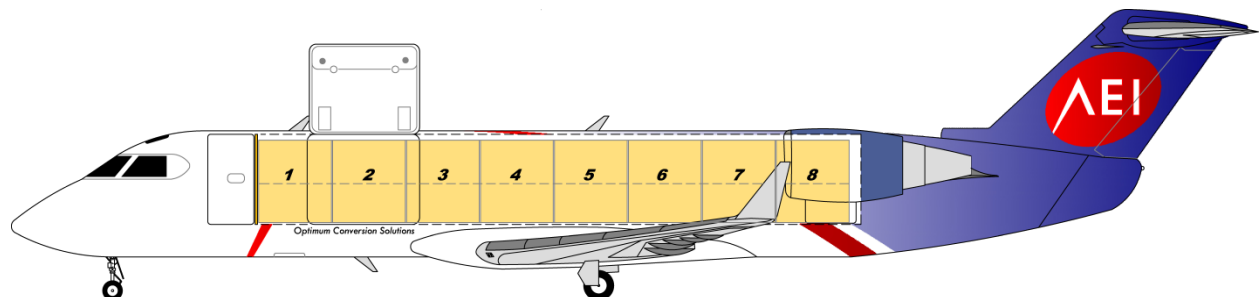
Prior to the first two CRJ200 SF aircraft entering regular revenue service, the freighters will be utilized by Another Joy Foundation ([www.anotherjoyfoundation.org](http://www.anotherjoyfoundation.org)) to transport tons of humanitarian aid from the USA to Puerto Rico, to help those in need affected by hurricane Maria.

AEI currently has firm orders and commitments for over 45 CRJ200 SF freighter conversions.

The AEI CRJ200 SF shall provide Pinnacle Partners with an Ankra CLS capable of carrying:

- (8) 61.5” x 88” Containers/Pallets, P1 to P8

When combined with proven reliability, the AEI converted CRJ200 SF will allow Pinnacle Partners to keep their aircraft - **“In the air, generating revenue.”**



## **About AEI**

Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI) is a global leader in the aircraft passenger-to-freighter conversion business and is the oldest conversion company in existence today. Since the company's founding in 1958, AEI has developed over 128 Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs) and has modified over 440 aircraft with the STCs. AEI helps its customers extend aircraft life and increase the overall value of aircraft assets by continuously focusing on dependable and flexible product offerings. AEI currently offers passenger-to-freighter conversions for the Boeing 737-400, 737-300, 737-200, MD-80 and CRJ200 aircraft. AEI plans to certify its 737-800 full freighter conversion in late 2017. [www.aeronautical-engineers.com](http://www.aeronautical-engineers.com)

## **About Pinnacle Partners**

Pinnacle Partners is a trusted advisor to many private, corporate and government clients around the world. We are a group of synergistic companies that are strategically aligned to provide our partners and clients with exceptional service and support. With decades of combined experience in the Aviation, Defense, Commodities and Pharmaceutical industries, Pinnacle Partners is your reliable partner to accomplish your mission, no matter how large or small. [www.pinnpart.com](http://www.pinnpart.com).

## **About Commercial Jet**

Commercial Jet is an FAA and EASA approved repair station that specializes in scheduled and unscheduled heavy maintenance; line maintenance; modification services; complete airframe inspections; freighter conversions; interior modifications; avionics upgrade programs and complete aircraft painting. The company product offerings also include lease return services, and refitting passenger and cargo aircraft for return to market. With a combined of over half-a-million square feet (46,000 square meters) of multi-bay hangar facilities in Miami (MIA), Florida and Dothan (DHN), Alabama, Commercial Jet provides quality MRO services to passenger and cargo airlines, owners, lessors and military customers. Aircraft types supported include B717, B727, B737, B757, B767, DC8, DC9, DC10/MD-11, MD80/90, A320, A300 and the Bombardier CRJ family. [www.commercialjet.com](http://www.commercialjet.com).

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