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AEI Delivers The Sixth B737-400SF 11 Pallet Conversion to DHL

Miami, Florida – February 3rd, 2015 – Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI) is pleased to announce that it has delivered the sixth B737-400SF freighter to DHL. Southern Air will operate the aircraft for DHL Express in the Americas. The aircraft is a high gross weight B737-400SF (MSN 26334) built in 1996 and was converted at Commercial Jet’s Dothan, Alabama facility, which is one of five authorized AEI Conversion Centers worldwide. The aircraft was sourced, and financing provided thru Strategic Air Finance LLC. DHL’s seventh B737-400SF conversion is currently undergoing modification at Commercial Jet. This delivery represents AEI’s first of the anticipated 33+ freighters to be delivered in 2015.

Planned routes for the B737-400SF’s include flights from Caracas (CCS) Venezuela, to Barbados (BGI) and Trinidad and Tobago (POS) in the Caribbean, as well as from Caracas to Bogota (BOG) Colombia, and Panama (PTY). In the United States, the B737-400SF’s will add flights from the DHL Express Cincinnati Hub in (CVG) to several cities along the Northeast and Midwest, including Philadelphia (PHL), Hartford (BDL) and St. Louis (STL).

The AEI B737-400SF is the only passenger to freighter conversion product that offers operators ten full height 88” x 125” container positions. This unique capability is achievable due to AEI’s Main Deck Cargo Door location which is approximately 40” further back than the competition. The additional container position increases AEI’s volumetric carrying capability by 10% which places the freighter in a class by itself.

AEI’s B737-400SF shall provide DHL with an Ancra CLS capable of carrying multiple ULD’s including:

(10) 88”x125” AAC Containers, P1 to P10 or

(8) 96”x125” ULD’s plus

(1) 53”X88”X64” Pallet or AEP/AEH or 60.4”X61.5” AKE/LD3 or 61.5”X88”X56”H AYY

This unique flexibility has been designed by AEI to allow the operator to immediately adapt to multiple ULD configurations at a moment’s notice. When combined with proven reliability, the
AEI Converted B737-400SF will allow DHL 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 120 Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs) and has modified 400 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 and MD-80 aircraft. Additionally, AEI will offer the market its new CRJ 200 freighter conversion in 2015, followed by the Boeing 737-800 full freighter and combi conversions in 2017. www.aeronautical-engineers.com

About DHL

DHL is the global market leader in the logistics industry and “The Logistics company for the world”. DHL commits its expertise in international express, air and ocean freight, road and rail transportation, contract logistics and international mail services to its customers. A global network composed of more than 220 countries and territories and about 285,000 employees worldwide offers customers superior service quality and local knowledge to satisfy their supply chain requirements. DHL accepts its social responsibility by supporting environmental protection, disaster management and education. DHL is part of Deutsche Post DHL. The Group generated revenue of more than 55 billion euros in 2012. www.dhl.com
About Southern Air

With its comprehensive, reliable and responsible customer approach, Southern Air serves the world’s largest intercontinental air cargo carriers, integrators and government agencies. Southern Air is the first ACMI operator in the world to operate the fuel efficient Boeing 777 freighter and currently operates four such aircraft on an around-the-world basis for the leading global express delivery provider DHL. Southern Air operates five Boeing 737 aircraft on DHL’s US, Caribbean and Latin American air networks. Southern Air also operates 747-400F aircraft and is a premier provider of safe, fuel efficient, intercontinental wide-body ACMI/CMI services. Southern Air and its experienced team of aviation professionals deliver high quality services to global customers, meeting and exceeding their air cargo needs.  www.southernair.com

About Commercial Jet

Commercial Jet is an FAA and EASA approved repair station that specializes in both 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 also offers lease return services, and refitting passenger and cargo aircraft for return to market. With 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 serves passenger and cargo airlines, owners, lessors and military customers. Their professional team services a wide variety of commercial aircraft types, including B717, B727, B737, B757, B767, DC8, DC9, DC10/MD-11, MD80/90, A320 and A300. www.commercialjet.com.

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