Hawker Beechcraft appoints Aerodata AG as new authorized service center

WICHITA, Kansas (May 2009) – Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC) announced that Germany-based Aerodata AG has joined its worldwide network of authorized service centers to support its Beechcraft line of aircraft. Aerodata AG is located in Braunschweig, only 200 km from Germany’s capital Berlin, at Braunschweig (BWE) Airport.

“Aerodata AG is well located to serve central and northern European customers,” said Steve Porte, vice president, International Customer Support. “Their appointment as an authorized service center will supplement our existing network to ensure effective support to our increasing fleet of aircraft in Europe.”

In addition to aircraft maintenance, Aerodata AG has the capability to provide turn-key special mission aircraft to a worldwide customer base. Aerodata is the leading source of flight inspection systems and offers a number of other special mission systems to customers. During the past 10 years, Aerodata has supplied more than 20 flight inspection systems in King Air platforms. In 2008, HBC and Aerodata reached a cooperative agreement for the provision of special mission aircraft.

Through its approval as a design, production and maintenance organization by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Aerodata is able to develop supplemental type certificates for the King Air and produce the kits for aircraft modification in-house. Thus, Aerodata can provide customized solutions for avionics packages and cabin installations.

“From the very early days of the company, Aerodata AG has been a key provider of fully equipped special mission aircraft,” said Hans Stahl, president of Aerodata AG. “With the service center approval, we see a broader perspective to deliver turn-key solutions, including warranty work and service contracts, to our government customers.”

Flight Inspection Aircraft and System Deliveries

Two KingAir B200 for Pakistan

In June 2008 Aerodata has delivered two factory-new flight inspection aircraft Beech King Air B200 equipped with AeroFIS® for the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) of Pakistan on schedule.

KingAir 200 with AeroFIS for CAA Pakistan

A new EASA STC has been developed by Aerodata for the integration of the fully automatic flight inspection system AeroFIS® in the ProLine 21 equipped aircraft. This STC includes AeroFIS® autopilot coupling as well as integration of TACAN navigation and UHF communication in the cockpit.

AeroFIS for DGAC Indonesia

In November 2008, a new AeroFIS® was accepted by the Indonesian DGCA. The installation into the Bombardier Lear Jet 31A has been performed by Hawker Pacific in Singapore. Aerodata has received a new EASA STC for the integration of the AeroFIS®.

AeroFIS for DGAC Indonesia

The brand new modern system includes full autopilot coupling of all flight inspection procedures to maximize the accuracy of the system and to minimize the workload for the pilots. The system includes full Mode S and ADS-B capability.

AeroFIS for Turkish Airforce

Citation 550 of the Turkish Air Force
In January 2009, Aerodata completed the contract for the delivery and integration of 2 fully automatic AeroFIS® into Citation 550 aircraft of the Turkish Air Force. The new AeroFIS® replace older Sierra flight inspection systems. The installation was carried out at Aerodata’s facility based on a new EASA STC by Aerodata. In addition to the AeroFIS®, the STC comprises the integration of primary GPS and TACAN navigation, two EHSI’s, and UHF communication.

Cockpit Information Display

The new integrated Cockpit Display provides a dramatic improvement of crew communication. The display shows AeroFIS® created flight profiles and suggests intercept pattern.

Two new AeroFIS for Cobham Flight Inspection, United Kingdom

In November and December 2008, two new AeroFIS® flight inspection systems have been accepted by Cobham Flight Inspection, United Kingdom.

With the general modular design of the AD-AFIS series which is capable for easy integration of new hard- and software requirements a delivery on schedule was ensured.

A new developed pulse decoder box allows to record pulse shapes of DME reply pulses with a rate of 20 Hz. They can be replayed synchronized with all recorded FIS data for further investigations e.g. identification of multipath areas.

AeroFIS for DGAC Mexico

Aerodata has completed the contract from the Mexican DGAC for the delivery of one new AeroFIS® including the integration into a Cessna Citation 500.

New AeroFIS® Contracts

In an international tender process Aerodata AG was furthermore awarded a contract by PANSA (Polish Air Navigation Services Agency) for the delivery of two AeroFIS® including integration into two Let 410. The system will replace the old CFIS-1 Flight Inspection Systems.

In December 2008, after a competitive international tender process SMATSA (Serbia and Montenegro Air Traffic Services Agency Limited) awarded a contract to Aerodata AG for the delivery of one factory new Beechcraft KingAir 350 aircraft fitted with a new AeroFIS®. As prime contractor, Aerodata assumes full responsibility for the complete flight inspection aircraft, pilot and maintenance training, aircraft and AeroFIS® spares and ground support equipment. After delivery of the flight inspection aircraft to the customer in late 2009, Aerodata will handle all warranty and support matters.

Further, Aerodata has been contracted to deliver 1 AeroFIS® to Russia.

Airservices Australia (ASA) has ordered the upgrade of their flight inspection system AD-FIS-8. The upgrade comprises the modernization of their flight inspection system into a state-of-the-art AeroFIS®.

Paris Air Show 2009

Aerodata will exhibit at Paris Air Show from June 15 – 21, 2009. Please visit our booth C194 in Hall 2C.

BRIDEX 2009

Aerodata will exhibit at the Brunei Darussalam International Defence Exhibition & Conference from August 12 – 15. Please visit us at the German stand.

Exhibitions 2009

Helitech 2009
22 - 24 September, 2009
Duxford, UK

LAVEX 2009
05 – 08 October, 2009
Tripolis, Libya

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