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EASA STC's Received for Hemisphere 200XR

Redmond, WA (September 21, 2009) – Tailwind Capital LLC and Global Principal Finance Co., LLC are pleased to announce that their completion partner, PATS Aircraft LLC, has received European EASA Supplemental Type Certification for the **Hemisphere 200XR** VIP interior and auxiliary fuel system. The **Hemisphere 200XR** received US FAA certification in June 2009 after satisfying all FAA certification requirements, including SFAR 88.

Based on the venerable CRJ-200 platform, the **Hemisphere 200XR** is a conversion program in cooperation with Delaware-based completion specialists PATS Aircraft. The **Hemisphere 200XR** project was originally developed by Tailwind and its investment partner Global Principal Finance Co. LLC. The first **Hemisphere 200XR** was delivered to Solid aiR in July and is currently in operation with the Netherlands-based charter operator. PATS will deliver two more completed **Hemisphere 200XR's** this year for Tailwind and GPFC.

The **Hemisphere 200XR** is an ultra-large cabin, private jet that offers a unique combination of highest standards of luxury, affordability and timely delivery. The **Hemisphere** is expertly converted from well-maintained, low-time Bombardier CRJ-200LR aircraft. Each **Hemisphere 200XR** features a comprehensive avionics suite, an exceptional service record and is current on inspections and airworthiness directives. Additionally, the PATS auxiliary fuel system allows for a range of up to 3,000nm.

"The **Hemisphere** is the first and only CRJ-200 VIP conversion program to receive EASA certification, following on the earlier FAA certification for both our executive interior and the auxiliary fuel system," said Joel Hussey, President of Tailwind Capital. "This achievement is truly a major milestone for the **Hemisphere 200XR** program and effectively opens up very important markets with customers desiring a large cabin, long range VIP jet at an exceptional value."

The baseline **Hemisphere 200XR** offers a 15-passenger layout with customer-selected interior finishes, the PATS auxiliary fuel system and a new, custom exterior livery. Customers taking advantage of 2010 delivery positions will have the ability to fully customize their aircraft and take delivery within 10 months*.



About Tailwind Capital, LLC

Redmond, WA based Tailwind Capital was established in 2000 to focus on investment in aircraft, airlines and aviation-related assets. Tailwind has broad capabilities and a successful track record in aircraft trading, financing, leasing, re-marketing and conversions.

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PATS is a DeCrane Aerospace company based in Georgetown, Del. CRJ-200 is trademark of Bombardier, Inc.

*Delivery timing is based on our baseline Hemisphere 200XR aircraft - timing can vary due to additional customer options

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