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AMERICAN AIRLINES ORDERS 104 AVIATION PARTNERS BOEING 757-200 BLENDED WINGLET™ SYSTEMS

*World's Largest Fleet of 757-200's Will Become
World's Largest Fleet of 757-200's With Blended Winglets*

Farnborough, U.K. After ordering 20 Aviation Partners Boeing 757-200 Blended Winglet Systems in September 2005 – of which 8 are currently retrofitted and in service – American Airlines has ordered an additional 104 shipsets.

All Blended Winglet installations will be accomplished by American Airlines employees in Tulsa where American Airlines is also installing the winglets on all of its B-737-800 aircraft.

“With fuel prices as high as they are today it is impossible to ignore the compelling value of Blended Winglet Technology,” says Aviation Partners Boeing CEO John Reimers. **“We were quite pleased, earlier this year, when American Airlines made the decision to retrofit its entire fleet of 737-800s with our Visible Technology. This recent order for 104 additional 757-200 shipsets is a further testament to the value and productivity of Blended Winglet Technology.”**

Depending upon fleet utilization and average sector length, American Airlines Blended Winglet Equipped 757's can save up to 200,000 gallons of fuel per aircraft per year.

“Blended Winglets extend the productivity and capability of the 757-200, providing up to a 5% extension in range or fuel savings over the entire economic life of the aircraft,” says Aviation Partners Boeing Vice President of Sales Patrick LaMoria. **“This enabling technology gives American additional flexibility while significantly lowering fuel burn.”**

The Tulsa, Oklahoma Maintenance & Engineering Base, where American is performing all retrofits of their 757-200 and 737-800 Blended Winglets, is also retrofitting Blended Winglets for several other operators. American Airlines has two additional major overhaul and maintenance bases located at Fort Worth, TX and in Kansas City, MO.

Aviation Partners Boeing has sold over 2000 Blended Winglet shipsets with over 1200 Boeing aircraft now in service with patented* Performance Enhancing Blended Winglet Systems. Patent

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