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Blended Winglets for Air China

Air China Signs for Winglets on 30 Future Boeing Next Generation 737 Deliveries

Farnborough, U.K. July 21, 2010...Air China, the largest international carrier of China, has ordered Blended Winglets for 30 Boeing Next Generation 737 aircraft which deliver beginning in 2011. The 2.4m (8 ft) tall devices will further point to Air China's leadership in China's airline industry.

"Air China wants to lead the way in China's efforts to reduce pollutant emissions, save fuel and improve aircraft operational capabilities," says Aviation Partners Boeing CEO John Reimers. "Blended Winglets are a visible reminder of the commitment to do just that."

Air China's investment in Blended Winglets will reduce fuel requirements while improving payload capability. Their experience operating with Blended Winglets has convinced the airline that the technology is effective and enduring. Designed to the same criteria as the aircraft, Blended Winglets will continue to provide benefits for the entire life of the aircraft.

"Air China's sophisticated operations clearly take full advantage of an investment in Blended Winglets," says Reimers. "Air China sees beyond the cost of the purchase and focuses more on the long-lasting benefits which Winglets provide."

With operations to all corners of China and beyond, Air China will save more than 3,000,000 gallons (11,355,000 litres) of jet fuel annually with this order, eliminating 29,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions per year. Blended Winglets, which are available both installed during aircraft production, and as retrofit kits, provide savings and emission reduction results which are achievable with no other post-delivery aircraft modification available today.

More than 3,600 Blended Winglet Systems are now in service with over 120 airlines in more than 80 countries. APB estimates that Blended Winglets have saved airlines worldwide more than 2.1 billion gallons of jet fuel to-date. Aviation Partners Boeing is a Seattle based joint venture of Aviation Partners, Inc. and The Boeing Company.