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## **Finnair Orders 757-200 Blended Winglet Systems**

*High Utilization 757-200 Operator will Experience Substantial Fuel Savings and Performance Benefits from Aviation Partners Boeing Technology*

*757-200 Blended Winglet Production Currently Sold Out to Q2 2007*

Finnair has placed 7 firm orders, plus 2 options, for Aviation Partners Boeing Blended Winglet Systems. Installations, which are likely to be performed by Finnair Technical Services in Helsinki, will begin in October 2006 and complete August 2007.

With fuel savings of up to 250,000 gallons per aircraft per year, Finnair's Blended Winglet payback will be around 2 years for fuel savings only. Additional performance benefits of Aviation Partners Boeing's Visible Technology include more than 200-nm additional range capability plus important environmental benefits, including significantly reduced emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrous oxides.

**"While operating their 757-200s at some of the highest utilizations and longest stage lengths in the industry, Finnair can look forward to saving more fuel with Blended Winglet Technology than most other 757 operators in the world," says Aviation Partners Boeing Sales Director Troy Brekken. "Fuel savings, combined with measurable performance benefits, will allow Finnair to get more out of their already popular 757-200s."**

Finnair President and CEO Jukka Hienonen, commenting on tough market conditions for world airlines, identified high fuel prices as one of the most significant challenges facing the industry. **"Our approach, to improve operations, has been to invest in aircraft and technology which enable us to operate at the best possible fuel efficiency,"** stated Hienonen.

Aviation Partners Boeing's Blended Winglet program for the 757-200 has been an unqualified success with market saturation occurring at an even faster pace than on 737-700/800 programs.

**"We're selling 757-200 Blended Winglet Systems faster than we can build them and production is sold out until Q2 2007,"** says Vice President of Sales Patrick LaMoria. **"We have now sold over 2000 Blended Winglet Systems in the last 5 years and expect to double that number over the next couple of years."**

Over 50 757-200s are now flying with Aviation Partners Boeing patented\* Blended Winglets. Aviation Partners Boeing is currently working with prospective launch customers to also certify Blended Winglets for the 737-900 and 767-300ER.

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