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## **West Star Aviation, Inc. Completes 15,000 Hour Inspection on Challenger 601**

**Grand Junction, CO, March 13, 2008**— West Star Aviation, Inc. is pleased to announce that its Grand Junction, Colorado facility has recently completed a 15,000-hour inspection on a 20-year-old Challenger 601. The 15,000-hour inspection required extensive non-destructive testing (NDT) including X-ray, eddy current, and ultrasound testing. Testing is performed on the airframe, horizontal stabilizer, interior structures, and engine pylons to confirm structural integrity and to locate areas of fatigue or corrosion. This major structural inspection was completed in conjunction with a 240-month inspection.

West Star Aviation is one of very few facilities, including the factory, to perform this inspection on a Challenger 601. “This represents a significant milestone in West Star Aviation’s Challenger Program and demonstrates the extent of our technical expertise and experience with all levels of Challenger aircraft maintenance,” says Rick Brainard, General Manager, West Star Aviation, Grand Junction. “Additionally, we can perform this inspection and complete squawks with only four weeks downtime, substantially shorter than many other facilities.”

With locations in East Alton, Illinois, Grand Junction, Colorado, and Dallas, Texas, West Star Aviation, Inc. specializes in airframe maintenance, engine repair and maintenance, interior, paint and avionics upgrades for a wide variety of today’s corporate and general aviation aircraft including Lear, Conquest, Citation, Hawker, Challenger, Beechjets, King Airs, and Falcon aircraft. West Star Aviation, Inc. is an Authorized Service Center for Hawker and Citation 500 and 650 series aircraft including the Sovereign, Mustang and CJIII aircraft, as well as an Authorized Embraer Phenom Service Center. The company also holds an STC for an RVSM

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solution for the Learjet 31, 35, 35A, 36 and 36A and is currently pursuing an RVSM solution for Conquest II aircraft. They also specialize in the acquisition and sales of surplus avionics through their Hiawatha, Iowa facility. West Star Aviation, Inc. strives to be a leader in technical expertise and experience, and works to ensure customer satisfaction at every level. For more information on West Star Aviation, Inc. call 800-922-2421.

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