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WEST STAR AVIATION ALN ADDS PIAGGIO AERO TO THEIR CAPABILITIES

East Alton, IL, July 15, 2009 – West Star Aviation’s East Alton, IL (ALN) facility recently contracted with Piaggio Aero to become an authorized service center. The contract became official on June 23, 2009 by Piaggio America Inc. President, and CEO Tom Appleton .

West Star will now have the capabilities to complete maintenance and modification services on all Piaggio P-180 Avanti products. West Star has recently scheduled their first Piaggio job and it is scheduled for September 2009 . West Star is pleased to offer Piaggio services to their already impressive list of capabilities.

Pat Welch will be the Program Manager for the Piaggio as well as the Cessna Program and Kevin Syfert will offer Customer Support for the Piaggio Program.

Piaggio Aero certainly looks different from your average turbojet and also performs differently. Piaggio’s website states that its “P180 Avanti II combines elegant Made-in-Italy style, the quietness and comfort of a spacious cabin, and remarkable performance that is similar to (and in some cases exceeds) that of the most widely sold turbojet aircraft on the market. And all this comes with operating costs that are up to 40% lower than jet aircraft of equivalent size.” Along with the Avanti II, Piaggio offers the P166 DP1, which is a light utility aircraft used for several operational purposes. Piaggio Aero Industries currently manufactures parts and performs maintenance, repair and overhaul operations on many aero engines.

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West Star Aviation, Inc. specializes in airframe repair and maintenance, engine repair and maintenance, major modifications, avionics installation and repair, interior refurbishment, paint, parts, surplus avionics sales, and accessory services. In addition to its facilities in East Alton, IL; Grand Junction, CO; and Dallas, TX, West Star has a Hiawatha, IA location that specializes in the acquisition and sales of surplus avionics. The company also provides complete FBO services for transient aircraft at its newly remodeled East Alton and Grand Junction facilities. West Star Aviation, Inc. is an industry leader in technical experience and expertise and provides world-class customer services in all of the organization's divisions.

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