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**WEST STAR AVIATION WELCOMES NEW**  
**GULFSTREAM/CHALLENGER TECHNICAL SALES MANAGER**

**East Alton, IL, March 5, 2013** - West Star Aviation announced they have hired Mark Wilson as Gulfstream/Challenger Technical Sales Manager at their East Alton, IL (ALN) location. Mark brings over 30 years of expertise in the aviation industry with him to West Star Aviation.

Throughout his career, Mark has held both manufacturing and maintenance positions for Boeing, Gulfstream and Lockheed Martin, including technician, lead, manager and supervisor. In addition, Mark holds an Airframe and Power Plant License.

“Mark’s diverse aviation background will make him a valuable asset to our current and potential customers,” says Greg Byrnes, Senior Vice President Sales, West Star Aviation. “He is a great addition to West Star and we are excited he has joined our team.”

In his new position, as Gulfstream/Challenger Technical Sales Manager, Mark will be responsible for providing technical and sales support for Gulfstream/Challenger customers within his territory. Mark will work in-house at West Star’s ALN facility, and can be contacted directly at 618-225-3166 or mwilson@wsa.aero.

West Star Aviation, Inc. specializes in the repair and maintenance of airframes, windows, and engines, as well as major modifications, avionics installation and repair, interior refurbishment, surplus avionics sales, accessory services, paint and parts.

In addition to its facilities in East Alton, IL; Grand Junction, CO; Columbia, SC; and Dallas, TX, West Star Aviation runs the maintenance operations at Aspen-Pitkin County Airport in Aspen, CO and at Spirit of St. Louis Airport in Chesterfield, MO. 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 while providing world-class customer services in all the organization’s divisions. For more information visit <http://www.weststaraviation.com> or call 800-922-2421.

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