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West Star Aviation Announces Acquisition of Minneapolis-Based MSP Aero LLC

November 9, 2017- West Star Aviation is pleased to announce its acquisition of MSP Aero LLC, a well-trusted Minneapolis-based company working with avionics, interiors, minor paint and window restoration at KMSF and surrounding areas.

Founded in June of 2009, MSP Aero was created to provide uninterrupted avionics services to area flight departments and received their FAA Part 145 Certified Repair Station certificate by December 2009. In 2013, MSP Aero later added interiors, paint and windows restoration capabilities.

"Our relationship with MSP Aero will provide us with a presence throughout the Twin Cities, as well as the Greater Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and the Dakotas areas. MSP Aero will help refine and support our customers' flight departments and strengthen our geographical network for MRO services," said Rodger Renaud, President and Chief Operating Officer, West Star Aviation.

"This agreement will allow for expansion of capabilities, facilities and operations, as well as inclusion in West Star's network," said Lynn Boyd, Satellite/Operations Manager, MSP Aero. "We look forward to utilizing West Star's expertise in management, training, growth, and technical insight in our future business endeavors," Boyd continued.

MSP Aero will continue to operate under its unique brand while providing support to current and future West Star Aviation customers. MSP Aero LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of West Star Aviation, LLC.

Voted #1 Preferred MRO in the 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 *Professional Pilot* magazine annual "Preferences Regarding Aviation Services and Equipment" (PRASE) Survey, West Star Aviation 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; and Chattanooga, TN, West Star Aviation runs maintenance operations at Aspen-Pitkin County Airport in Aspen, CO; Chicago Executive Airport in Chicago, IL; Centennial Airport in Denver, CO and Conroe-North Houston Regional Airport in Houston, TX. The company also provides complete FBO services for transient aircraft at its newly remodeled East Alton and Grand Junction facilities. West Star Aviation 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 www.weststaraviation.com or call 800-922-2421.

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