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West Star Aviation Is Nearing Completion Of Hawker 800A Wing Replacement

October 16, 2018 - West Star Aviation is pleased to announce the company is nearing completion of a total wing replacement on a Hawker 800A aircraft. This extensive project is being performed at West Star's state-of-the-art, full service MRO facility in Grand Junction, CO, (GJT).

The aircraft had advanced corrosion on the wings, making repair uneconomical. West Star's experience performing maintenance on Hawker aircraft allowed them to locate a replacement wing assembly, thoroughly inspect, and install it. The Hawker is approaching the flight testing phase, and is expected to return to service by the end of the year after interior refurbishment and paint work is complete.

"We are pleased to be able to provide our customer a more economical and technically sound solution to the corrosion problems with their aircraft. This project is a testament to the experience and skill of our Hawker team," said Kendall Kreiling, West Star's Hawker Program Manager. "Not only did we find an economical solution, we prevented the aircraft from being permanently removed from service. We also upgraded the aircraft with API winglets," Kreiling continued.

"Our experience with the Hawker airframe at our Grand Junction facility allowed us to work closely with both Textron and other DER engineers to ensure the aircraft meets all FAA standards for modification status, structural integrity, and quality for this wing replacement," said Robert Lawson, Hawker Technical Representative, West Star Aviation.

Voted #1 Preferred MRO for five consecutive years from 2014-2018 in *Professional Pilot Magazine's* 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; Chattanooga, TN; and Perryville, MO, 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; Conroe-North Houston Regional Airport in Houston, TX; and Scottsdale Airport, in Scottsdale, AZ. 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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