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Clifford Development Appoints Stevens Aviation As A Service Center for Citation 550/S550 Engine Retrofits

Portage, Mich., December 23, 2008 – Clifford Development announced the appointment of Stevens Aviation as an authorized installation center for the company's certified installations of Williams FJ44-3A engines on the Cessna Citation 550 and the S550.

“We are very pleased to add the many services that Stevens Aviation has to offer,” noted Jim Clifford, chief executive officer of Clifford Development. “The company's technical expertise, corporate jet maintenance experience and tradition of customer care will be important to our mutual customers. In addition, Stevens Aviation can provide virtually any airframe, interior or avionics service that our customers might require.”

Clifford Development has certified 35 improvements as part of a recently issued Supplemental Type Certificate (STC), including: an Ametek® digital engine display, heavy duty BFG brakes and a dual FADEC system certified to July 2007 standards. The Williams FJ44-3A engines are thermodynamically rated at 3000 lbs. (with takeoff flat-

rated thrust of 2820 lbs.) versus the original engine's 2500 lbs. rating. With this modification, the typical Citation 550/S550's basic operating weight is reduced 250 lbs.

"Our customers have expressed a strong interest in this product," stated Jim Williams, vice president of Stevens Aviation. "Our research indicates this product meets the demanding expectations of our customers."

Based on the Pilots Operating Handbook Supplement, the re-engined 550 has a 22 minute time-to-climb to FL430 versus the current one hour and 37 minute step-climb profile, an 18 percent increase in max cruise speed and a 59 percent increase in NBAA range with four passengers. The modified Citation II's range is 2192 nautical miles.

The re-engined Citation S550 has a four-passenger NBAA range of 2533 nautical miles – a 55 percent increase. It also has a 17 percent increase in long range cruise speed with a 34 percent reduction in fuel cost per seat mile.

Stevens Aviation becomes the fourth Clifford Development Service Center. Stevens will provide installations at their Greenville, S.C. (GYH) location and will provide additional product support at its Denver, Colo. (BJC) and Dayton, Ohio (DAY) locations.

The Citation 550 and S550 engine conversions are priced at \$2,295,000 and \$2,395,000 respectively for 2009 installations. This price includes engines, engine core credit, digital engine instrumentation, Clifford Development aircraft improvement package, installation labor and training.

About Clifford Development – Clifford Development develops STCs for the installation of new engine technologies on the world's existing fleet of high value corporate jets. The company will fund major re-engining certification programs to

enhance the safety, value and performance of corporate jets. Detailed performance data on the re-engined 550 and the re-engined S550 are available at www.clifforddevelopmentgroup.com. More information about the Williams International FJ44-3A and Williams International's world-class product support is available at www.williams-int.com.

About Stevens Aviation – For more than 58 years, Stevens Aviation has been committed to making its customers successful. Stevens provides factory authorized services for Hawker Beechcraft, Bombardier, Embraer and Sino-Swearingen aircraft and FAR145 authorized services on Citations, Piaggio P.180 and other civilian aircraft. Stevens also supports the U.S. Department of Defense on a number of significant depot maintenance, modification and upgrade programs. Stevens is a diversified aircraft service provider offering expertise in the areas of: aircraft maintenance, modification and refurbishment, aircraft sales, aircraft management, flight services, and fixed base operations. Headquartered in Greenville, S.C. (GYH), Stevens operates facilities in Denver, Colo. (BJC), Nashville, Tenn. (BNA), Dayton, Ohio (DAY), Greenville, S.C. (GYH) and Greer, S.C. (GSP). More information about Stevens Aviation can be found at www.stevensaviation.com.

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