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## Saft Names API as Authorized Worldwide Distributor

MEMPHIS, Tenn., February 5, 2009 - Aerospace Products International, Inc. (API), a wholly-owned subsidiary of First Aviation Services Inc. (FAVS.PK) and a leading supplier of innovative distribution and supply chain services for the aviation industry has been selected by Saft as an Authorized Worldwide Distributor for its aviation batteries.

Saft is the premier manufacturer of nickel-cadmium batteries, producing advanced technology batteries for all types of aircraft. Saft selected API based on its internationally growing corporate/business and general aviation markets.

"Saft, the world leader in the design and manufacture of Ni-Cd aviation batteries, is pleased to announce the addition of Aerospace Products International (API) to its worldwide distribution network," states Bruce McRae, Saft Director of Aviation Sales and Marketing North America. "With 20 years in the aviation industry as a global distributor, API has an outstanding reputation and expertise with a unique approach to customer service/management, providing turnkey logistics and inventory solutions. Saft feels confident the partnership will increase growth for both companies."

Bernard Weber, Aviation International Sales & Marketing Director, adds, "API will help us increase throughout the world our commitment to support and assist our customers with innovative solutions."

API is an Authorized Distributor to the aviation industry for over 160 high-quality OEM products. Saft is the exclusive Ni-Cd battery supplier for API. As a supply chain partner, API strives to boost its customers' product support and customer satisfaction ratings by increasing product availability and providing reliable service. API's ability to be a one-stop shop is further expanded with the addition of Saft.

"API is proud to represent Saft in the aviation industry," says Dr. Ahmed Metwalli, API's President and Chief Operating Officer. Dr. Metwalli comments, "Saft is the worldwide leader in high-tech airline battery design. Our customers demand the highest quality products available. We definitely have that in Saft."

## **About Aerospace Products International**

API offers worldwide customer service 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year (+1.888.API.24X7 or +1.888.274.2497) through strategically located distribution centers and partnerships in the USA, Canada, China, Philippines and Europe.

Aerospace Products International, Inc., headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., is the leading provider of innovative distribution and supply chain services for the aviation industry. API distributes aircraft parts and related products and components to manufacturers, maintenance providers, and operators of some of the most widely used commercial, corporate and general aviation aircraft. In addition to its product supply services, API offers the aviation industry extensive supply chain management and third-party logistics services and solutions, including forecasting and procurement services, inventory management, rotables management, and product sales. API also offers overhaul and repair services for brakes and starters/generators, and builds custom hose assemblies. Its parent company, First Aviation Services Inc., is a worldwide leader in providing services to the aviation industry. More information is available at <http://www.apiworldwide.com>.

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