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News Release

Piedmont Propulsion Systems Expands Helicopter Rotor Blade Capability as Van Horn Aviation Authorized Facility

Winston-Salem, NC, July 2, 2020 – Piedmont Propulsion Systems, LLC (“PPS”), a wholly owned subsidiary of First Aviation Services Inc. announced today that it has received FAA certification for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of the Van Horn Aviation 206/OH-58 Tail Rotor Blade with capability for the Main Rotor Blade to follow shortly.

The Van Horn Tail Rotor with its carbon fiber skin, efficient laminar-flow airfoil, and titanium root, has gained wide acceptance in the 206/OH-58 market. The Van Horn blade is quieter, has longer service life and lower operating costs than the OEM blade. Paul Bolton, Technical Director of Piedmont Propulsion Systems said “we are very pleased to be designated by Van Horn Aviation as an authorized service center and look forward to providing exceptional service to Bell operators.”

PPS previously announced that it received Source Approval Request (“SAR”) for the Blackhawk rotor hub which complemented the company’s many decades experience in propeller hub assemblies for all leading propeller product lines. PPS’s sister company Aviation Blade Services, Inc. (“ABS”) is the leading independent MRO facility supporting Blackhawk helicopter and nearly all legacy Sikorsky rotor blades.

Operators of 206/OH-58 helicopters are encouraged to contact Paul Bolton at pbolton@piedmontpropulsion.com to schedule Van Horn blade Major Inspection services.

About Piedmont Propulsion Systems, LLC (www.piedmontpropulsion.com)

Piedmont Propulsion Systems, LLC (“PPS”), a subsidiary of First Aviation Services Inc., is a world leader in propeller MRO for regional, corporate, and military aircraft. PPS holds FAA & EASA Propeller Class 1 and Class 2 Propeller Repair Station ratings for all Dowty, Hamilton, Hartzell and McCauley propellers. PPS is also a Hartzell recommended service facility. PPS is the only facility in the world with FAA/EASA certification to overhaul all ATR and Dash 8 / Q400 propeller types, including the Hamilton 568F and Dowty R408 propeller. PPS also supports out-of-production

propellers including the Hamilton 14SF/RF, Saab 340, Fokker 27/50/60, EMB-120 & DHC-6 platforms. More information may be found at www.piedmontpropulsion.com.

About Aviation Blade Services, Inc. (www.absblade.com)

Aviation Blade Services, Inc. ("ABS") , based in Kissimmee, Florida, is best known for its expertise in the UH-60 Blackhawk rotor blade, as well as the Sikorsky, S-55, S-58, S-61, S-62, S-64, S-70, H-3, H34, and CH-54 rotor blades, and Westland Sea King rotor blades. With the most extensive library of Sikorsky rotor blade maintenance and manufacturing technical data outside of Sikorsky, ABS is the world's premier repair facility for Sikorsky rotor blades. The company's experience, knowledge and support for these rotor blades is unmatched.

About First Aviation Services Inc.® (www.firstaviation.com)

First Aviation Services Inc. ("FAvS"), headquartered in Westport, Connecticut, is a leading provider of component repair and overhaul, PMA parts manufacturing and rotables management to the aviation industry worldwide. FAvS's principal operating subsidiaries are: Aerospace Turbine Rotables, Inc. ("AeTR") and Evōlution Aerospace, Inc. ("EVO") in Wichita, KS, Piedmont Propulsion Systems, LLC ("PPS") in Winston-Salem, NC and Aviation Blade Services, Inc. ("ABS") in Kissimmee, FL. Together, the companies repair and overhaul Landing Gear systems, Flight Controls, Actuation Systems, Lighting, Power Supplies, Oxygen and Fire Suppression systems, Hydrostatic Testing, Crew Masks, all Dowty, Hamilton, Hartzell and McCauley propellers and Sikorsky rotor blades. More information about FAvS and its subsidiaries may be found on the company's website www.firstaviation.com.

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