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ODA CERTIFICATION FOR COBHAM UNIT

Mineral Wells, TX - Cobham plc has announced that their S-TEC business unit, an operating division of Cobham Avionics Integrated Systems (CAIS), has been authorized by the FAA as an Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) entity for Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) projects. This represents the second such designation for a Cobham business unit; in 2008 Chelton Flight Systems was among the first organizations in the United States to be certified under ODA.



As part of ODA, the FAA delegates an organization the authority to perform its own certification activities under FAA oversight. The FAA first established the ODA program in August, 2006 with the intention of making their overall certification process more safe, effective, and efficient. ODA establishes a systems-based approach for FAA safety oversight of experienced manufacturers. These manufacturers must have considerable experience and a detailed, documented competence in part-by-part compliance with regulatory standards.

In return, by establishing and implementing the ODA program, the FAA is able to concentrate its resources on the most safety-critical areas of aviation and the development and application of new technologies.

Cobham will offer STC support to agencies that desire or need ODA services for the pursuit of their own STC. The Mineral Wells facility features a complete ODA support staff, including electrical and mechanical engineers, A&P mechanics, avionics installers, conformity inspectors, administrators, and pilots.

Said Jim Shirey, Cobham Avionics, Integrated Systems' General Manager:

"We've greatly enjoyed working with the FAA to achieve ODA Certification. We're confident that this development will allow us improve customer service and product delivery time, while helping to free up the FAA to continue to bring safe and innovative products to the commercial and general aviation markets much more quickly and economically."

About Cobham:

Cobham's products and services have been at the heart of sophisticated military and civil systems for more than 70 years, keeping people safe, improving communications, and enhancing the capability of land, sea, air and space platforms. The Company has four divisions employing more than 12,000 people on five continents, with customers and partners in over 100 countries and annual revenue of more than £1.4bn / \$2.1 billion.

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