Hawker Beechcraft Delivers Hawker 4000 to Jack DeBoer

Hospitality entrepreneur feels right at home in world's most advanced business jet

Wichita, Kansas (Vocus) August 25, 2008 -- **Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC)** delivered its revolutionary Hawker 4000 super-midsized business jet to customer Jack P. DeBoer during a special ceremony at the company's Customer Delivery Center in Wichita, Kan. The Hawker 4000 ushers in a new era for general aviation, as it is first in its class, first in the world and the most advanced business jet in the world based on its innovative composite construction.

A lodging industry visionary, DeBoer is credited with founding the extended stay hotel segment of the hospitality industry. In addition to Value Place, the nation's fastest-growing extended stay hotel chain, he founded the Residence Inn, Summerfield Suites and Candlewood Suites. An active pilot, DeBoer currently holds the 3 kilometer world speed record for jet aircraft under 18,000 lbs. DeBoer has been a dedicated customer, having purchased several Hawker Beechcraft Corporation aircraft, including the Hawker 1000, Hawker 800XP, Hawker 400XP and Beechcraft King Air B200 models.

"I am delighted to present this Hawker 4000 to Mr. DeBoer who is a nationally recognized entrepreneur and a devoted customer," said Jim Schuster, chairman and CEO of HBC. "Just as his hotel accommodation conglomerate exemplifies the comfort in a home away from home, the Hawker 4000 provides the same comfort with its fully-customizable interior, while offering segment leading performance perfectly fit for all of his global travel needs."

The Hawker 4000 capacity and range is designed to meet the needs of customers domestically and internationally. The business jet boasts a maximum cruise speed of Mach 0.84 and only a 20-minute climb rate from sea level direct to 41,000 feet (12,497 m), maximizing productivity of customers by getting them quickly to their destination. It is powered by two Pratt & Whitney Canada PW308A engines, each delivering 6,900 pounds (30.7 kN) of thrust. Coupled with the Hawker 4000's advanced wing design, the engines provide impressive high altitude/hot temperature and short field capability.

Much of the Hawker 4000's standard equipment is optional on competitors' offerings. The Hawker 4000's cockpit features a Honeywell Epic avionics suite with five high-resolution 8 x 10 inch (20 x 25 cm) LCD displays. It also has enhanced situational awareness and flight management systems, backed by real-time system monitoring and status. Ideally suited for long-range operations or long oceanic flights, the Hawker 4000 is equipped with dual IRS (Inertial Reference Systems), dual air-cycle machines and a hydraulic motor driven backup generator.

The groundbreaking aircraft is constructed of advanced composite material, giving the fuselage a true 6 ft. (183 cm) standup cabin with a 77.5 in. width (196.8 cm). A flat floor runs the entire length of the aircraft, leading to an impressively large 88.5 cubic ft. (2.51 cubic m) baggage area, accessible during flight. The aircraft's standard eight-place configuration interior is fully customizable with a wide variety of materials and cabin finishes available.

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