

First API Blended Winglet Retrofit for a European Falcon Customer

Geneva, Switzerland. May 4, 2010 – Aviation Partners, Inc. (API) announced today that it recently completed its fourteenth Falcon 2000 Series Blended Winglet retrofit, and the first for a European-registered aircraft. The 2000EX EASy aircraft, owned by Gator Aviation and operated by Jersey, C.I. based Aviation Beauport Limited, had the Winglet installation completed at Duncan Aviation's Battle Creek, Michigan, facility in March and recently returned to Europe flying non-stop 3,822 nm from Sarasota, Florida to Jersey, C.I.

"After the winglets were fitted we positioned the aircraft down to Sarasota and it then went direct to Jersey with (unusually) minimal wind assistance - about 3,800 nm, so definitely longer range than the EX." Said Mike Bell, Aviation Beauport Chairman.

The Winglets for the Falcon 2000 Series are "High Mach" Blended Winglets – this revolutionary new design is optimized for cruise speeds of Mach .80 and higher. For the 2000EX the Winglets provide a drag reduction of 5 percent at Mach .80, which equates to a 200+ nm range increase. API's High Mach Blended Winglet STC have been installed on 14 Falcon 2000 series aircraft to date, with three others currently in work and a significant order backlog. Operators are already enjoying increased range and fuel reserves, reduced fuel burn and emissions, and will see a healthy return at resale.

"Anytime you can improve the productivity and performance of an existing asset, while making it more eco-friendly, is a wise investment." Said Joe Clark, API founder and CEO, **"We are doing our part in a changing world."**

The Winglets, designed and certified by API, are standard equipment on the 2000LX and can be retrofitted to the Falcon 2000, 2000EX and 2000EX EASy via an FAA and EASA approved STC. Installation is carried out through API's network of authorized installers including, for operators in the EMEA region, TAG Aviation at their recently expanded maintenance facility here in Geneva. To learn more about Winglets for the 2000 series, or future retrofit plans for the 900 and 50 families, call Gary Dunn, API VP Sales, during EBACE at +1-206-310-2904.

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Seattle, Washington based Aviation Partners, Inc. (API) is the world leader in advanced Winglet technology. API's patented* Performance Enhancing Blended Winglets have been designed and certified for a number of commercial and business aircraft; applications include Boeing, Falcon, Hawker and Gulfstream airframes. Over 3,700 in-service aircraft have saved an estimated 2.1 billion gallons of fuel. In addition to the 5-7% improvement in fuel burn, Blended Winglets have reduced global CO₂ emissions by over 22.5 million tons. Additional airframe programs are in-development for existing Blended Winglet technology, and future Winglet designs will lead to greater incremental improvements in performance, fuel savings and emissions reduction. To learn more about Blended Winglets go to www.aviationpartners.com. (* patent #5348253)

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