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### StandardAero to Install Aviation Partners Inc Winglets on Falcon 2000 Aircraft

**GENEVA**, **Switzerland** – May 12, 2009 – Having recently completed certification of their stateof-the-art, high-mach blended winglets for the Falcon 2000 large-cabin business jet, Aviation Partners Inc. (API) has appointed StandardAero as its first authorized installer for the new winglets. API has thus far seen a significant interest from Falcon 2000 operators for the new winglets, which add up to 260 nm in range, reduced emissions and enhanced resale value. The winglets are also production standard on the new Falcon 2000LX.

StandardAero operates four shops across the United States, including Augusta, Ga., Springfield, III., Houston, Texas, and Los Angeles, Ca., in addition to mobile service teams based in Long Island, NY, Boca Raton, Fla., Houston, Texas, Denver, Co., Chicago, III. and Van Nuys, Ca. All of StandardAero's facilities are factory-authorized service centers, a requirement set forth by API to perform the winglets installations.

"We are excited about adding the API Falcon 2000 winglet program to our capabilities," said StandardAero Senior Vice President for Business Aviation, Harvey Ticlo. He added: "We are the largest Falcon authorized service center by volume, and offer complete MRO for Falcon aircraft. We are also Honeywell-authorized service centers and have completion, paint and modifications capability, which allows us to provide Falcon 2000 operators a complete in-service solution. The addition of API winglets further expands our portfolio of available service."

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**StandardAero**, a Dubai Aerospace Enterprise (DAE) company with \$1.4 billion in annual revenue, specializes in engine maintenance, repair and overhaul, and nose-to-tail services that include airframe, interior refurbishments and paint for business and general aviation, air transport, and military aircraft. The company, part of the DAE Engineering division, forms a global services network of 12 primary facilities in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Singapore and Australia, with an additional 14 regionally located service and support locations.

#### About DAE: www.dubaiaerospace.com

DAE is a fast developing global aerospace, manufacturing and services corporation made up of six divisions – DAE Capital, DAE Engineering, DAE Services, DAE Manufacturing, DAE Airports, and DAE Flight Academy.

Headquartered in Dubai, the group is growing through a series of phased developments and acquisitions to become a global player and to produce an integrated aerospace cluster, based at Dubai World Central – the new 140 square kilometre airport and logistics city being constructed in Jebel Ali, Dubai. It is forming international partnerships at the highest level of industry with the aim of establishing one of the most innovative and successful businesses in the global aerospace industry within the next decade.

DAE's shareholders include the Government of Dubai, Dubai International Capital, DIFC Investments LLC, EMAAR, ISTITHMAR World, Dubai Silicon Oasis (DSO), AMLAK Finance.

#### Aviation Partners, Inc.

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 for a number of commercial and business aircraft; applications include Boeing, Falcon, Hawker and Gulfstream airframes. Over 3,000 aircraft currently inservice have saved an estimated 1.6 billion gallons of fuel. In addition to the 5-7% improvement in fuel burn, Blended Winglets have reduced global CO2 emissions by almost 17 million tons. Additional airframe programs are indevelopment for existing Blended Winglet technology, and future Winglet designs will lead to greater incremental improvements in performance, fuel savings and emissions reduction.

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