

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## API Blended Winglets ANAC Approved for Falcon 900 Series More Than 450 Falcons Already Flying Blended Winglets

**São Paulo, Brazil. August 15, 2017** – Aviation Partners, Inc. (API) confirmed today that ANAC validation of its FAA Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) for Blended Winglets on Falcon 900 series aircraft was received yesterday, on the eve of the LABACE Convention.

API's Winglets for the Falcon 900 Series are "High Mach" Blended Winglets – this revolutionary new design is optimized for higher cruise speeds than API's previous Blended Winglet offerings. The Winglets provide a drag reduction, and corresponding range increase, of five percent at Mach .80 and more than seven percent when optimum long range speeds are selected. In addition, retrofit Winglets for the Falcon 900 series (the same API-designed Winglets as those offered for retrofit on in-service Falcon 2000 and 50 series aircraft, and installed by Dassault on the factory 900LX and 2000LX/LXS/S models) reduce operating costs and carbon emissions, and provide a dramatic visual enhancement.

"The Falcon program has been by far our most successful business jet Winglet program to date. Since the first Winglet STC for a Falcon model was received approximately 50 per cent of the in-service Falcon 2000 series fleet, and 30 per cent of the 900 fleet, is now sporting Blended Winglets," said Gary Dunn, API's Vice President of Sales & Marketing, "There are currently over 450 Falcons flying with API Blended Winglets."

Gary Dunn, API VP of Sales and Marketing will be on-site during the LABACE Convention in São Paulo (August 15-17) to discuss Winglets for the Falcon family of aircraft, and the Hawker 800 series. A number of API's authorized installers, including Dassault Aircraft Services, Duncan Aviation and StandardAero will also have representation at the convention to discuss availability of installation slots.

## 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<sup>TM</sup> have been designed and certified for a number of commercial and business aircraft; applications include Boeing, Falcon, Hawker and Gulfstream airframes. Over 8,000 in-service aircraft have saved an estimated 7.5 plus billion gallons of fuel. In addition to the 5-7% improvement in fuel burn, Blended Winglets have reduced global CO2 emissions by approximately 80 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.

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