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Hawker Beechcraft Services Announces Inaugural Hawker 800XPR Upgrade Customer at NBAA



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Hawker Beechcraft Services (HBS) today announced JoinJet of Denmark as the inaugural customer for the Hawker 800XPR upgrade during a ceremony at the company's Global Customer Support booth at the National Business Aviation Association's (NBAA) 63rd Annual Meeting & Convention in Atlanta. JoinJet is the charter division of the airline SUN-AIR of Scandinavia A/S. JoinJet's fleet is state-of-the-art within its class and provides charter services around the world.

"We are pleased to announce JoinJet as our launch customer and are confident the Hawker 800XPR upgrade will be an outstanding performer that will retain its value for years to come," said Christi Tannahill, Hawker Beechcraft vice president, Global Customer Support. "The installation of the high efficiency winglets and the -50R engines make good business sense and add lasting value."

“We are eager to be the first owner and operator to upgrade our Hawker 800XP aircraft to the XPR program,” said Kristoffer Sundberg, General Manager of JoinJet. “The enhanced reliability and lower operating costs will benefit our charter service customers. We’ve been very pleased with the Hawker Beechcraft products and recently acquired another Hawker 800XP. This latest addition to our fleet will be receiving the XPR upgrade. We look forward to marketing it as the greenest 800XP in the world with its low CO2 footprint.”

The Hawker 800XPR offers significant improvements over the performance and capability of the 800XP, the industry’s best-selling midsize jet. Genuine Hawker winglets and more powerful, state-of-the-art Honeywell TFE-731-50R turbofan engines give the 800XPR greater range, better time to climb and faster cruise speeds. In addition, optional avionics, a newly stylized interior and XPR customer paint designs are available. The upgrade is available exclusively through HBS, the company’s factory-owned service center network. JoinJet’s upgrade will be completed at the company’s facility in Chester, United Kingdom (EGNR).

Headquartered in Wichita, Kan., Hawker Beechcraft Global Customer Support (GCS) is dedicated to improving the value of HBC aircraft by employing products and services to simplify aircraft ownership, reduce operating cost and increase resale value. GCS is comprised of four functional groups that include Support Plus (cost predictability/warranty programs), Hawker Beechcraft Parts & Distribution (genuine factory parts), Hawker Beechcraft Services (factory-owned service centers) and Technical Support (Field Support Representatives, Hot Line specialists and Technical Publications).

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation is a world-leading manufacturer of business, special mission and trainer aircraft – designing, marketing and supporting aviation products and services for businesses, governments and individuals worldwide. The company’s headquarters and major facilities are located in Wichita, Kan., with operations in Salina, Kan.; Little Rock, Ark.; Chester, England, U.K.; and Chihuahua, Mexico. The company leads the industry with a global network of more than 100 factory-owned and authorized service centers. For more information, visit www.hawkerbeechcraft.com.



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