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New airline in Mexico selects Cessna SkyCouriers and Cessna Grand Caravan EXs to service region

WICHITA, Kan. (December 21, 2022) – Textron Aviation today announced that Aerus, a new regional airline in Mexico, is launching its fleet with the purchase of two 19 passenger configured Cessna SkyCourier twin-engine turboprops and four Cessna Grand Caravan EX turboprops. The airline recently took delivery of the first three Grand Caravan EX aircraft.

The Cessna SkyCourier and Cessna Grand Caravan EX are designed and manufactured by Textron Aviation Inc., a Textron Inc. (NYSE:TXT) company.

"A fleet of Cessna SkyCouriers and Cessna Grand Caravans will enable Aerus to be successful in growing service range and frequency of flights," said Marcelo Moreira, vice president of Sales, Latin America region, Textron Aviation. "Both aircraft offer superior performance and low operating costs in combination with flexibility in cabin and payload."

The Cessna SkyCourier and Grand Caravan EX aircraft are versatile and reliable business tools that enable customers like Aerus to fulfill their missions. Based in Monterrey, Mexico, Aerus will cover unserved national and international routes in order to meet the needs of its customers.

"When we looked at options within the market to operate the routes we had in mind, it was a no-brainer decision to choose the Grand Caravan EX and the SkyCourier from Textron Aviation, which will be the cornerstone of the Aerus project," said Javier Herrera, CEO, Aerus. "We are very proud to be one of the first operators of the new SkyCourier, which we are sure will be a great success for Textron Aviation and Aerus. We appreciate Textron Aviation's support as we set launch operations."

Aerus is part of Grupo Herrera, which has 80 years of experience in the automotive, financial, and real estate industries, and has had an air taxi permit since 1990. The company plans to begin its airline operations in the first quarter of 2023.

About the Cessna SkyCourier

Built for high utilization operations, the Cessna SkyCourier is a twin-engine, high-wing, large-utility turboprop offered in both cargo and passenger variants. The efficient 19 passenger variant includes crew and passenger doors for smooth boarding, as well as large cabin windows for great natural light and views. Both configurations offer single-point pressure refueling to enable faster turnarounds.

About the Cessna Grand Caravan EX

The Cessna Grand Caravan EX aircraft is known for its dependable and efficient performance by regional airlines, charter operators and cargo carriers worldwide. The Grand Caravan EX turboprop was engineered for challenging missions, high payloads and short, rough runways while delivering single-engine economy and simplicity. With a reputation as a revenue generator, it carries up to 14 occupants with an increased speed and climb capability and offers low direct operating costs.

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About Aerus

Aerus is a newly formed commercial airline based in Monterrey, Mexico that forms part of Herrera Group, which was founded in 1941 and specializes in the automotive, financial and hospitality industries. Aerus which will begin operations in the first quarter of 2023 in the northeast of Mexico, covering unserved national and international routes.

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