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Heath Tecna Awarded Austrian Airlines B767 and B777 Integration, Cabin Furnishings, and NuLook® Interior Program

Paris, France – At the Paris Air Show today, Heath Tecna CEO Richard L. Ballantyne announced that Austrian Airlines has selected HT to upgrade and reconfigure six Boeing 767-300 and four Boeing 777-200 cabin interiors as part of the airline's plans to meet the changing requirements of international customers. The arrangement calls for Heath Tecna to provide their integration expertise to oversee the program, produce reconfiguration kits, manage the delivery and installation of buyer furnished equipment from third party suppliers, and to obtain a supplemental type certificate (STC) from the FAA (with subsequent STC validation by EASA) for all aircraft modifications. In addition, Heath Tecna will engineer, manufacture, and install new cabin furnishings for all aircraft, as well as engineering, manufacturing, and installing NuLook® Interior kits for five of the B767 aircraft. The program kick off has already occurred with deliveries commencing Q3 2012.

Interior Integration

Chosen as the integrator for the program, Heath Tecna will supply interior kits to reconfigure each airplane to a new interior arrangement, which will include new passenger seats, flight attendant seats, galleys, lavatories, furniture, and an in-flight entertainment system. The company will provide engineering to modify, remove, relocate or retrofit equipment, performing services such as interior design, stress analysis, and testing. Heath Tecna will provide new interior architectural components to fill the voids caused by the reconfiguration. Liaison engineers, database programmers, and FAA DAR's/DER's will be sent on-site to support the prototype aircraft modifications, including certification activities.

Cabin Furnishings

Heath Tecna was also selected to design and supply cabin furnishings for each aircraft, including new footwell stowages, closets, partitions, and floor mounted stowages. Many of the new furnishings include provisions for LCD monitors, fold-down baby bassinets, and emergency equipment. Heath Tecna will provide approximately 65 units for the overall program.

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NuLook® Interior

For five of the B767 aircraft, Heath Tecna will supply its [NuLook® Pivot Bin Interior](#) to replace the existing OEM interior architecture. The Austrian Airlines NuLook® Pivot Bin Interior will include new outboard pivot bins, centerline stowbins, gull wing style ceiling panels, PSU faceplates and filler panels, sidewalls, and hatchway surround liner panels. In addition to revitalizing cabin aesthetics, the NuLook® Pivot Bin Interior offers improved performance and passenger ease of use, including the following key benefits:

- Increased roller bag storage capacity from 114 to approximately 170
- Reduced baggage loading height
- Improved view of aisle video monitors

Austrian Airlines Joins Heath Tecna in Announcing the Program Award

“This is Austrian's biggest and most complex modification program over the last couple of years” explains Mag. Peter Baumgartner, Executive VP Cabin Services and Product Management of Austrian Airlines. “All areas in the entire aircraft cabin are going to be touched, therefore the project team was to identify the most reliable supplier with appropriate technical expertise to manage such challenging program.”

“Reduction of complexity was one of our goals in this project, therefore we appreciate Heath Tecna offering this as a one-stop-shop solution. Excellent know-how in aircraft interiors and an excellent record of other successful projects convinced us to select HT for this partnership” Dr. Burkard Wigger, Executive VP Technical Operations elucidated further. “Heath Tecna can provide cabin furniture including new footwell stowages and closets, NuLook interior with increased stowage capacity and a revitalized cabin aesthetics, IFE- and cabin integration.”

“In addition Heath Tecna offered the best commercial solution for Austrian Airlines and this was an equally important aspect in our evaluation” Dr. Wigger and DI Reinhold Franz, Director Procurement Operations, mentioned in a final statement.

Washington State Governor Christine Gregoire Congratulates Heath Tecna

“Heath Tecna has a long history of innovation and leadership in Washington’s aerospace sector and I congratulate them on this great news with Austrian Air that will retain and create new jobs here,” said Gov. Chris Gregoire. “Our state’s highly skilled aerospace workers are one of our greatest assets, and we are proud to have partnered with Heath Tecna to provide funding through our Workforce Investment Act to help the company deliver specialized training for about 200 employees.”

About Austrian Airlines

Austrian Airlines is Austria’s largest carrier and offers a global route network of around 130 destinations. In Central and Eastern Europe, the route network is particularly dense: With 46 destinations Austrian Airlines is the market leader throughout the region. Thanks to its favorable geographical location at the heart of Europe, the company’s hub at Vienna International Airport is the ideal gateway between East and West. Austrian Airlines is part of the Lufthansa Group, Europe’s largest airline group, and a member of the Star Alliance, the first global alliance of international airlines.

About Heath Tecna

Heath Tecna is one of the foremost manufacturers of interior products for passenger aircraft, serving retrofit, BFE line-fit, and OEM SFE markets. The Company engineers and supplies nose-to-tail interiors, as well as the systems and support structures for them. Heath Tecna offerings include interior architectures, cabin furnishings, integration services, flammability testing, and technical publications authoring. As a one-stop shop, the Company also operates an FAA approved Part 145 Repair Station, and an AS9120 approved spares distribution center. Heath Tecna was recently awarded Manufacturer of the Year for large companies in the State of Washington.

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