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LKD Aerospace Gains Airline Suppliers Association Quality System Accreditation

ASA-100 Accreditation to FAA AC-0056 Positions LKD For Further Growth With Enhanced Business Processes

October 3, 2000 -- LKD Aerospace announced today its official passing of the final audit of the Airline Suppliers Association Accreditation Program "ASAAP". Successful passing of the ASAAP audit establishes a business as an accredited ASA supplier, meeting the requirements of the FAA's Advisory Circular (AC 00-56). The FAA advisory circular states that parts procured from such "accredited suppliers" will convey an assurance to the purchaser that the part(s) is/are the quality stated and that the appropriate documentation is on file at the distributor's place of business. The FAA considers that obtaining parts through accredited distributors is a sound safety practice.

Alan Dance, Vice President and Director of Quality for LKD Aerospace, stated, "LKD has worked hard to improve our quality systems to meet the stringent requirements of the ASA-100 quality system standard. Our business and quality processes now meet or exceed the industry's highest quality requirements." Dance estimates that only about 5% of existing distribution companies have become AC 00-56 accredited.

Michele Schweitzer, President of ASA, added, "We congratulate LKD Aerospace on successfully passing the ASA Accreditation program. The growing industry adoption of this quality accreditation program represents companies that meet the highest quality standards throughout the industry. More than 170 companies have now successfully passed accreditation requirements under FAA AC 00-56."

Mark Chamberlain, President and CEO of LKD, added, "Meeting the quality accreditation of FAA AC 00-56 was a key goal for our business this year. LKD is striving to be a top supplier to the industry throughout the world by offering the best products, service, quality and price via use of our state-of-the-art information services over the Internet. Having our quality systems accredited to AC 00-56 is another key step in our continued growth."

LKD Aerospace distributes factory new expendables, rotatables and surplus inventory to more than 1700 existing customers around the world serving six continents. LKD also offers exchange, consignment and information services via its e-commerce website at www.Lkdaerospace.com. Customers include major and regional airlines, repair & overhaul facilities, OEM's and aftermarket service companies. LKD's products are used on Boeing, McDonnell Douglas, Airbus, Embraer and

Bombardier jet aircraft as well as Fairchild, Beech and Bombardier turboprop aircraft. LKD has been in business since 1983.

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