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Seeker Aircraft Successfully Completes Critical CASA Audit

Production Certificate audit will allow Seeker to grow its aircraft manufacturing operations in Australia

(Albuquerque, NM) Seabird Aviation Australia, Pty, Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Seeker Aircraft America Inc. has successfully completed a key audit of its Production Certificate with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) in Australia. The audit is a critical milestone in the process of increasing manufacturing capability. Focused on safety and conformity to CASA standards, the Seabird team is looking forward to expanding its manufacturing operations in Australia to accommodate increased demand for this versatile aircraft..

The Seeker is a, one-of-a-kind, purpose built light observation aircraft that was specifically designed and developed for observation and surveillance missions. This fixed-wing aircraft provides a low cost solution for missions requiring sensor carriage, short take-off and landing capabilities, easy in-field maintenance, and industry leading cockpit visibility.

The CASA audit was comprised of multi-day inspections which Seeker President/CEO Dave Pohlman describes as having been “put under a microscope.”

“All of our processes, drawings, work packages, and quality assurance programs were thoroughly inspected and we received very positive comments from the regulators,” said Pohlman. “We are very pleased to have completed this critically important audit and to continue to manufacture aircraft in Australia. Like CASA, the Seabird team is dedicated to aviation safety for the public.”

Seekers are currently flying missions in Australia, the United States, the Middle East, and Africa.

Seeker Aircraft America, Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSI Aviation, both of which are headquartered in Albuquerque, New Mexico. For more information, go to www.seekeraircraft.com.

More about CASA...The Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) was established on 6 July 1995 as an independent statutory authority. Under section 8 of the, *Civil Aviation Act 1988*, CASA is a body corporate separate from the Commonwealth. CASA's primary function is to conduct the safety regulation of civil air operations in Australia and the operation of Australian aircraft overseas. It is also required to provide comprehensive safety education and training

programs, cooperate with the Australian Transport Safety Bureau, and administer certain features of Part IVA of the *Civil Aviation (Carriers' Liability) Act 1959*.

More about CSI Aviation... Established in 1979, CSI Aviation, Inc. (CSI) has grown into a global aviation company providing diverse and complex solutions to commercial, group and private individuals, and government customers. CSI fills a unique niche in the aviation industry – solving complex aviation requirements for air charter services, aviation logistics, and program management. CSI Aviation also holds FAR Part 135 Air Carrier operating authority and provides air charter, aircraft purchase, leasing and maintenance support. For more go to www.csiaviation.com.

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