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As part of our commitment to excellence we are proud to welcome you to our company's newsletter.

At Precision Turbines it is important to us to create a newsletter that will appeal to the broad spectrum of clients we serve. We will continue to strive to bring you the most informative and up to date aviation news, and touch on a variety of topics such as, safety, air transport, flight instrumentation, and corporations. We are always open to suggestions, if there are topics you would like to read about, please let us know.

At Precision Turbines we purchase, sell and lease turbofan and turboprop engines, with special focus on the JT15D and it's upgrades. We are totally devoted to serving our customers in an honest and professional fashion. Our employees stand ready to meet your needs in these markets, and we look forward to putting our experience to work for you. We hope to hear from you. www.precisionturbines.net

PIPERJET FLIES FOR THE FIRST TIME

The PiperJet made its maiden flight shortly after 11 a.m. on July 30 at the Piper Aircraft plant in Vero Beach, Fla. This is the aircraft manufacturer's first jet in its 71-year history. The jet took off to the cheers of company employees and flew for nearly an hour, reaching 10,000 feet and a speed of 160 KTAS with pilots Dave Schwartz and Buddy Sessoms at the controls. The next 50 hours of testing will be devoted to proving what Piper promised to its customers, that the jet is capable of going 360 KTAS (it is redlined at 250 KIAS) and cruising at 35,000 feet. Its range is promised to be 1,300 nm.. [Read More](#)

CIRRUS VISION SJ50 QUIETLY GREETES PUBLIC

The big thing about the first public flyby of the Cirrus Vision was the noise; there wasn't any. "The V-tail deflects the noise upward," said Kent Vandergrift, the Cirrus pilot who flew the jet to its world debut. The SJ50 flew from a staging location in Wisconsin to Oshkosh at 200 KIAS and 11,500 feet, since it is limited in performance during early testing.. [Read More](#)

WHEN GLASS COCKPITS GO BLACK

Last week the NTSB announced massive display failures on Airbus aircraft. There were 49 failures on Airbus 319 and 320 aircraft, including seven incidents in which all six screens failed simultaneously. Didn't think that was possible? Neither did the manufacturer, the FAA, or the NTSB. As light GA manufacturers rush into glass cockpits, is it unseemly to ask what assurance we have that there will not be a catastrophic failure or at least a significant failure in our less robust systems.. [Read More](#)

UNDER A NEW FAA RULE

A new rule has been released that extends the terms of first- and third-class medical certificates. The rule took effect July 24, 2008. The purpose of the new ruling is to improve the efficiency of the medical certification program and process. It will also advance the services provided to medical certificate applicants. Third-class medical certificates for pilots under the age of 40 were previously required to be.. [Read More](#)

EMIRATES AIRLINE HAS TAKEN DELIVERY OF ITS FIRST AIRBUS A380 AIRCRAFT

Emirates Airline has taken delivery of its first Airbus A380 aircraft in an historic delivery ceremony with over 500 guests in Hamburg, Germany. The first customer A380 powered by Engine Alliance engines, was presented to Chairman and Chief Executive Emirates Airline and Group, Sheikh Ahmed Bin Saeed Al-Maktoum and to Emirates President, Tim Clark by Tom Enders, Airbus President and CEO and John Leahy, Airbus Chief Operating Officer, Customers. Also present was James Moravec, Engine Alliance President and Bruce Hughes, former Engine Alliance President.. [Read More](#)

INVESTIGATORS SUSPECT OXYGEN TANK EXPLOSION IN QANTAS 747 PROBE

Investigators probing the 25 July fuselage rupture and rapid decompression involving a Qantas Boeing 747-400 are focusing their attention on what appears to have been an oxygen cylinder explosion.. [Read More](#)

US NAVY DISCLOSES THREE-YEAR, 36-AIRCRAFT BUY FOR P-8A

The US Navy clarified today that it will order 36 Boeing P-8A Poseidons during the first three years of production, perhaps further opening the door to accelerating the in-service date by one year.. [Read More](#)

BA CLOSES IN ON DEAL WITH AMERICAN

British Airways PLC, which is already in talks with Spain's Iberia SA over a combination, said Monday it hopes to seal an alliance with its U.S. partner American Airlines within.. [Read More](#)

CESSNA'S SINGLE ENGINE AND MUSTANG PROGRAMS REACH MILESTONES

Cessna Aircraft Company, a Textron Inc. (NYSE: TXT) company, has reached the following milestones for its single engine piston and entry-level business jet products on display at this week's Experimental Aircraft Association AirVenture 2008.. [Read More](#)

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