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SAMPLE OF PRECISION TURBINES AVAILABLE ENGINE INVENTORY

ENGINE	TSN	CSN	TSO	REMAINING	STATUS
JT15D-1A/B					
PCE77459	2410	2173	N/A	650HRS	Sale/Lease
PCE76513	9523	7601	1817	1683 HRS	Sale TSHSI 20 HRS
PCE76495	9433	7569	970	2530 HRS	Sale

ENGINE

JT15D-4B

PCE102281	6802.8	6991	3377.6	122.4 HRS	For Lease
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ROBERT WIDMER, SUPERSONICS PIONEER, DEAD AT 95

Aeronautical engineer Robert Widmer, a pioneer in the development of supersonic aircraft and fly-by-wire computerized flight control, died on June 20 in Fort Worth, Texas, the New York Times reported on Sunday. Inspired by Chuck Yeager's supersonic flight in 1947, Widmer was determined to design the first supersonic bomber..[Read More](#)

GULFSTREAM G450 FLIES OVER ATLANTIC ON BIOFUELS

A Gulfstream G450 recently became the first business jet to cross the Atlantic using biofuels..[Read More](#)

AIRBUS CLAIMS RECORD NUMBER OF ORDERS AT PARIS AIR SHOW

Takes orders and commitments for 730 airbus aircraft From 16 customers worth \$72 Billion At the 49th Paris Air Show in Le Bourget, Airbus says it won about \$72.2 billion worth of business for a total of 730 aircraft..[Read More](#)

OBAMA PUSHES TO END TAX BENEFIT FOR CORPORATE JETS OWNERS

President Barack Obama called on Congress to end a tax break for corporate jet owners. The provision would add \$3 billion to the Treasury over 10 years, said two congressional aides. Critics said the proposal would fulfill Obama's deficit-reduction target by less than one-tenth of 1%..[Read More](#)

KLM PLANE MAKES FLIGHT WITH BIOKEROSENE

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines says it is the first to make a scheduled flight with a plane fueled with a biokerosene blend of traditional jet fuel and cooking oil. The fuel was used in a Boeing 737-800 that jetted from Amsterdam to Paris..[Read More](#)

CONTROLLER FATIGUE COMPROMISES REACHED

Mid-shift air traffic controllers will be allowed to listen to the radio and read "appropriate printed material" but they won't be allowed to nap under a new deal on fatigue prevention announced Friday. Controllers who think they're too tired to work can also ask for leave..[Read More](#)

AMERICAN AIRLINES PLANS TO BUY 250 AIRCRAFT, SOURCES SAY

American Airlines is negotiating with Boeing and Airbus to purchase 250 or more jets to replace roughly 38% of its current fleet, sources said. The order, if completed, would be worth about \$15 billion. Boeing has had a lock on American's business for years, but sources said the carrier is also eyeing Airbus' family of A320 airplanes..[Read More](#)

ORDERS FOR AIRLINE "AFTERMARKET" SERVICES ARE ON THE RISE

Airlines have been postponing nonessential aircraft maintenance for the past few years in an effort to keep costs down during the economic downturn. Pent-up demand, however, is prompting airlines to ramp up orders for "aftermarket" services, such as retrofitting, overhauls and maintenance..[Read More](#)

AUSTRALIAN AIRLINE GROUNDED

For the first time, Australian authorities have grounded a major airline over safety concerns. On Saturday the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) pulled the operating certificates for Tiger Airways for a week after Tiger pilots busted low-altitude limits twice in one month. On June 7, a Tiger A320 was tagged on radar at 1,500 feet in an area where the minimum altitude is..[Read More](#)

U.S. CARRIERS OPT FOR SMALLER AIRCRAFT THAN AIRBUS A380

Three U.S. carriers are also the worlds 3 biggest airlines--United (UAL), Delta (DAL) and American (AMR)--but little indication exists that any of them have any particular desire to fly the..[Read More](#)

SIERRA INDUSTRIES COMPLETES 4TH HANGAR ADDITION AT GARNER FILED AIRPORT, UVALDE

After only a few months of work, Sierra hangar #4 was completed in early June and is already at work, housing multiple aircraft undergoing maintenance and modifications. Since ground breaking at the end of January, the large addition has been erected in record time..[Read More](#)

SPITFIRE RECOVERY UNEARTH'S UNIQUE STORY

An RAF Spitfire flown by American pilot Roland "Bud" Wolfe dug itself deep into an Irish hillside on Nov. 30, 1941, after he bailed out, and now, 70 years later, that aircraft has been recovered. The recovery effort included an aviation historian, a team of archaeologists and the BBC, and will serve as the subject of a documentary..[Read More](#)

NEW SHARED DATA SERVICE ROLLED OUT BY ROLLS-ROYCE, BOEING

A major planemaker and engine company have launched a shared data service, which they say is the first of its kind in the aerospace industry. It will allow both Boeing and Rolls-Royce to offer faster, better-informed advice to airlines, in order to maximise aircraft availability..[Read More](#)

COMAC, CHINA'S "REAL ALTERNATIVE" TO BOEING, AIRBUS?

The Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China (Comac) has signed an agreement with Ryanair to develop the C919, a new mid-size commercial jet, and, according to Ryanair, the deal creates real competition for Airbus and Boeing. Ryanair CEO Michael O'Leary said his company is "seriously interested in the development of a 200 seat variant of the C919 aircraft..[Read More](#)

TANKER'S FIRST FLIGHT OVER TOP OF THE WORLD MARKS NEW ERA IN EFFICIENCY

The U.S. Air Force has gone quite literally to the ends of the earth to support operations in Afghanistan. A KC-135 Stratotanker flew north until it started flying south June 21 and 22, cutting a new pathway over the Arctic Circle and the North Pole between Fairchild Air Force Base, WA, and the Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyzstan..[Read More](#)

JETNET FORSEES RED HOT BIZJET MARKET THROUGH 2020

By Stephen Pope - Mirroring the conclusions of several other recent industry forecasts, the results of a business aviation market survey conducted by JetNet, a Utica, New York-based research firm, predict a surge in bizjet demand in the next decade. JetNet has released its first-ever 10-year business jet delivery forecast, predicting worldwide deliveries..[Read More](#)

CEO: ECLIPSE 'PROFITABLE,' PRODUCTION LIKELY

Eclipse, once a bankrupt program, is now turning a profit. "We make more money than we spend,???" Eclipse Aerospace CEO and Board Chairman Mason Holland told Aviation Week. ???We're a profitable company year in and year out."

"We are investing additional dollars toward the production effort every month," Holland says, adding, the recent approval of the company's proprietary PhostrEx engine fire suppression system marks the final mile in FAA certification of the total aircraft.

SOMEBODY LISTENED TO US! SENATOR INHOFE TO INTRODUCE A 'PILOTS BILL OF RIGHTS'

Bill Would Codify Procedures For Pilots To Respond To Allegations

Aero-Note: I've been advocating for this since 1988...when I first published an early attempt at a Pilot's Bill of Rights (last updated in 2009). Through the years, we've gotten a tremendous amount of support, but little action, from the powers-that-be in Washington..until one Senator found out just how un-American and unfair the FAA's concept of justice truly is--for himself..[Read More](#)

CIRRUS FINALIZES CHINA DEAL

Cirrus Aircraft and China Aviation Industry General Aircraft Co., Ltd. (CAIGA) announced on Tuesday that the two companies have completed their merger. "This partnership will benefit our business and our customers," said Brent Wouters, Cirrus CEO..[Read More](#)

BOEING'S DREAMLINER BEGINS TEST RUNS AFTER 3-YEAR DELAY

Boeing's 787 Dreamliner, the world's first jet with a fuselage and wings made of composite plastic, is being tested on All Nippon Airways' domestic routes in Japan to ensure that the plane is ready for commercial use. Boeing is testing the plane three years after its original May 2008 delivery date. "It's been a long wait," said Hidetaka Sakai, an ANA spokesman. "We want to compete with global air companies with this plane..[Read More](#)

COMMERCIAL AIRLINES ARE APPROVED TO USE BIOFUELS

Airlines received U.S. approval to use plant-based biofuels to reduce harmful carbon dioxide emissions released into the Earth's atmosphere. Many aircraft companies, including Air France and Boeing, have already done test flights using this fuel..[Read More](#)

SMALL PLANE IS INTERCEPTED NEAR OBAMA RETREAT IN MARYLAND

An F-15 fighter jet intercepted a small plane that had wandered into airspace near Camp David on Saturday while President Barack Obama was staying at the Maryland retreat..[Read More](#)

BUSINESS JET SALE TRANSACTIONS INCREASED 19.7% IN THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS OF 2011

The first five months of the 2011 pre-owned market showed early-stage recovery signs with expectations that 2011 would be a year..[Read More](#)

BOEING BEGINS FINAL PHASE OF 787 FLIGHT TESTING

Boeing began Function & Reliability (F&R) testing and extended operations (ETOPS) demonstrations Monday on the 787 Dreamliner. This is the final phase of flight testing

prior to certification of the airplane. "We are ready for this final phase of flight testing," said Scott Fancher, vice president and general manager of the 787 program. "The team has created a solid plan for accomplishing the hours and test points required for F&R and ETOPS testing in support of delivery to our customer ANA in the August to September time period..[Read More](#)

FAA PROPOSES \$1.05 MILLION CIVIL PENALTY AGAINST BOEING

The FAA is proposing a \$1,050,000 civil penalty against the Boeing Company for allegedly failing to correct a known problem in production and installation of the central passenger oxygen system in its B-777 airliners..[Read More](#)

AVIATION CONSUMER'S TIEDOWN SHOOTOUT

If that tornado at Sun 'n Fun in April didn't get your attention, it should have. With EAA AirVenture looming and storms hammering the midwest, it's time to think about portable tiedown systems for the show. In this brief video, AVweb and Aviation Consumer wring out three systems, and the walkaway winner is a product you've never heard of..[Watch Video](#)

SINGAPORE AIRLINES ROLLS-ROYCE ORDER TOTALS \$1 BILLION

Deal To Supply Trent 700 Engines For Airbus A330s

Rolls-Royce has won a \$1 billion order from Singapore Airlines to supply Trent 700 engines to power 15 Airbus A330 aircraft, along with TotalCare services support..[Read More](#)

US AIRLINES TO SUE EUROPEAN UNION

The Air Transport Association (ATA), along with United/Continental holding, have filed a lawsuit in the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg saying that forcing non-member nation airlines to participate in the European Union's carbon emissions trading system violates international law..[Read More](#)

FINAL SHUTTLE COUNTDOWN IS UNDERWAY

The countdown for the final space shuttle launch began Tuesday at 1300 EDT, beginning at the T-43 hour mark. However, the launch-day weather forecast looks less than favorable for Friday's 1126 EDT liftoff..[Read More](#)

STRIKE EAGLE PILOT HONORED WITH AIR FORCE SAFETY AWARD

A pilot who landed a crippled F-15E Strike Eagle after taking off from Kunsan Air Base, Korea, received the Air Force's most prestigious flight safety award in Washington, DC June 29. Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley presented Capt. Hans Buckwalter, of the 366th Fighter Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho, with the 2010 Koren Kolligian Jr. Trophy for outstanding achievement in airmanship and flying proficiency..[Read More](#)

POSITIVE ACTIVITY CONTINUES TO BUOY BUSINESS AVIATION

Indicators suggest that the broader economy is in a bit of a slump, but the business aviation industry continues to see increased activity. At the recent European Business

Aviation Convention & Exhibition, optimism was apparent among participants, despite concerns about the U.S. unemployment rate, housing market and auto sales..[Read More](#)

EUROCOPTER COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF VECTOR AEROSPACE

Eurocopter has closed its acquisition of Canada's Vector Aerospace for \$647 million. The helicopter manufacturer purchased the maintenance, repair and overhaul company to boost its aviation services. "The acquisition of Vector marks an important step to position Eurocopter as a more significant global player in the aviation support and services industry," said..[Read More](#)

UNITED, CONTINENTAL INTEGRATION REQUIRES AROUND-THE-CLOCK DEDICATION

About three dozen teams of managers are working around the clock to integrate the operations of United Continental Holdings. The integration is a vital part of the airline's goal of achieving \$1.2 billion in new revenue and cost savings. "It's such a complex, stressful, difficult experience," said Lori Gobillot, vice president of integration management..[Read More](#)

SOLAR IMPULSE IMPRESSES PARIS CROWD

After several weather-related flight delays, Solar Impulse made a successful demonstration flight June 26, the last day of the Paris Air Show. The sun-powered four-engine aircraft is intended to shine a light on green technologies. It's backed by Bertrand Piccard, the Swiss adventurer best known for circumnavigating the world in the Breitling Orbiter 3, a propane balloon, in 1999..[Read More](#)

EXPERIENCE AND COOL SAVE AIRSHOW PERFORMER

John Klatt Lands Safely After Shedding Aileron During Snap Rolls

Spectators at the Battle Creek Balloon Festival Airshow in Michigan got a disconcerting look Sunday into the risks faced by aerobatic performers. John Klatt's Panzl S330 lost its left aileron during a series of snap rolls, but he was able to level out even as the control surface fluttered to the ground..[Read More](#)

FORMER SOUTHWEST CEO KELLEHER HELPED REVOLUTIONIZE INDUSTRY

Herb Kelleher has been with Southwest Airlines since the beginning. He fought legal battles to get the carrier off the ground and then helped revolutionize the industry. Although he's been retired for a few years, he still offers his advice when asked. In this interview, Kelleher discusses his current role at Southwest, how the industry has changed over the years and how it likely will change in years to come..[Read More](#)

AMERICAN AIRLINES CONTINUES ON TURNAROUND PATH, EXECUTIVES SAY

Eighteen months into a turnaround plan, executives at American Airlines say the carrier remains on the road to recovery, although some critics have their doubts. The airline has announced plans to upgrade its fleet, and it recently entered into new revenue-sharing ventures with three international carriers. "We're building something for the long term," President Tom Horton said..[Read More](#)

CASH-RICH AIRCRAFT-LEASING COMPANIES SPUR PLANE TALKS

American Airlines might be in a tight financial situation, but it is negotiating with Boeing and Airbus to purchase hundreds of new aircraft. The situation is partially due to the strong cash position of aircraft-leasing companies around the world. Leasing firms are helping carriers finance deliveries of jets..[Read More](#)

AMERICAN AIRLINES BOARDS ECONOMY CLASS BASED ON CHECK-IN

American Airlines has changed the way economy-class passengers board on domestic flights. Rather than boarding passengers in the back of the airplane first, American's passengers will board based on how they checked in for the flight..[Read More](#)

HAWKER BEECHCRAFT SEEKS TO HIRE MORE THAN 100 EMPLOYEES

Hawker Beechcraft is ramping up hiring. "Right now we are hiring for over 100 positions at Hawker Beechcraft," said Heidi McNary, vice president and chief technical officer at the general aviation aircraft manufacturer. McNary said the company is seeking recent college graduates in engineering, as well as candidates for other positions..[Read More](#)

C-130 AMP PREPARES FOR USAF TEST AND EVALUATION

Five C-130 Avionics Modernization Program Aircraft Will Fly In IOT&E Program
Final preparations are underway for five C-130 aircraft to enter Boeing's Avionics Modernization Program (AMP). The U.S. Air Force Initial Operational Test and Evaluation (IOT&E) program is set to begin in early 2012..[Read More](#)

NEW SCREENING PROGRAM TO ALLOW PILOTS TO SPEED THROUGH SECURITY

Chicago O'Hare International Airport and Miami International Airport this summer will start testing a new screening program that will allow pilots to bypass security scans and pat-downs. The Transportation Security Administration will pre-certify pilots using photos and employment data, and screeners will use laptop computers to verify pilots' identification with TSA records..[Read More](#)

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