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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
PCE76590	8544	7688	2769	731 HRS	Sale
PCE76591	8516	7580	2667	833 HRS	Sale
PCE76513	9523	7601	1817	1683 HRS	Sale TSHSI 20 HRS
PCE76495	9433	7569	970	2530 HRS	Sale
PCE76260	7626	6974	2009	1491 HRS	Sale TSHSI 315 HRS
ENGINE					
JT15D-4B					
PCE102126	8030.7	6989	222.7	1277.3 HRS	Sale
PCE102092	5413	4452	1916	1584 HRS	Sale
PCE102130	5413	4452	1925	1575 HRS	Sale
PCE102281	6802.8	6991	3377.6	122.4 HRS	For Lease

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VIDEO: FIRST FLIGHT OF CHINESE J-20 'STEALTH FIGHTER

A collection of video clips from Chinese media outlets including: the J-20 fifth-generation "stealth" fighter jet's first flight, taxi and flight control tests, a size and planform comparison with other contemporary aircraft (F-22 and T-50), and brief images that may suggest the aircraft's avionics package..[Read More](#)

G650's FLY-BY-WIRE ELECTRIC BACKUP ACES INITIAL TEST

Gulfstream G650 flight-test aircraft S/N 6001 recently flew for the first time using only an electrically powered, fly-by-wire (FBW) backup flight-control actuation system, the Savannah, Ga.-based aircraft manufacturer announced yesterday. During a three-hour, 33-minute flight on December 21, test pilots Jake Howard and Gary Freeman and flight-test..[Read More](#)

WHITE HOUSE EASES TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS FOR CUBA

Late last week, officials in the Obama administration said they are lifting some travel restrictions for Cuba, but the trade embargo against the communist government will remain. The changes allow for travel to Cuba by cultural, religious and academic groups. Also, charter flights from more U.S. airports will be allowed..[Read More](#)

FLORIDA GOVERNOR SHOULD RECONSIDER SELLING STATE PLANES

Florida Gov. Rick Scott should reconsider his campaign pledge to sell the state's private planes, according to an editorial in the Sun-Sentinel. "It doesn't take a frequent flyer to realize that getting around Florida on commercial airlines isn't easy, or cheap,"..[Read More](#)

DELTA UNVEILS AUCTIONS FOR PASSENGERS BIDDING TO BE BUMPED

Passengers on overbooked flights at Delta Air Lines may now put in bids for the compensation they will accept in exchange for taking a later flight. Delta says the system helps it identify those passengers with the most flexible travel plans while helping the company save money on compensation costs. Experts say the auction system appears to be a first for the airline industry..[Read More](#)

DAHER-SOCATA TURBOPROP DELIVERIES CLIMB IN 2010

Daher-Socata delivered 38 TBM 850 turboprop singles last year, two more than it shipped in 2009, making 2010 the TBM program's fourth-best year. With last year's tally, the French aircraft manufacturer said there are now 222 TBM 850s in service-no small feat since the model was introduced only in 2006. The overall TBM fleet, which includes 700-series..[Read More](#)

BOEING MEETS 2010 GUIDANCE

BOEING delivered 462 aircraft (376 737s; 12 767s; 74 777s) in 2010, meeting guidance, down from 481 (372 737s; eight 747s; 13 767s; 88 777s) a year ago. It booked 625 orders in 2010 (vs 263 in 2009): 508 737s (486 net), one 747 (-1 net), three 767s, 76 777s (46 net), and 37 787s (-4 net)..[Read More](#)

POLICE DRONES PRESSURE FAA'S "SEE AND AVOID" STANDARD

At the urging of law enforcement agencies, the FAA this year is expected to advance new rules for operating unmanned planes in airspace shared by commercial jets and private pilots. Police want to use drones in hostage situations, emergency evacuations and other crises, but such uses would violate the FAA's existing "see and avoid" rule for civil airspace. The safety agency plans to seek public input this year on possible changes to that rule, while working with law enforcement agencies on "possibly trying to streamline the process of applying for certificates of authorization" for drone flights in specific areas..[Read More](#)

BUSINESS AVIATION SAFETY NEARLY UNCHANGED IN 2010

Despite a modest increase in the number of business aircraft flight hours last year, the number of accidents remained virtually static compared with those in 2009, according to year-end statistics released by Boca Raton, Fla.-based industry safety analyst Robert E. Breiling Associates. There was just one more accident last year involving U.S.-registered..[Read More](#)

FCC HALTS PURSUIT OF 121.5 MHZ ELT BAN

The Federal Communications Commission stayed a rule Jan. 11 that would have prohibited the certification, manufacture, importation, sale or use of 121.5 MHz emergency locator transmitters (ELTs). The rule, if enacted, would have required the replacement of 121.5 MHz ELTs with 406 MHz ELTs at a direct cost to aircraft owners..[Read More](#)

BIZAV FLIGHT ACTIVITY RISES, PART 91 UP BY 10 PERCENT

Overall business aircraft flight activity climbed 4.4 percent last month year-over-year, bolstered by a double-digit-percent resurgence in Part 91 corporate operations, according to TraqPak data released today by aviation services company Argus. Part 91 flying climbed 10 percent in December compared with the same month in 2009, which followed a..[Read More](#)

DELTA EYES RECORD ORDER OF 200 NARROW-BODY JETS

Delta Air Lines has requested proposals from several aircraft manufacturers as it prepares to order 100 to 200 new single-aisle planes with deliveries beginning as early as 2013, according to news reports. A full order of 200 jets would set a record; filling the order with Boeing's 737-800 would cost \$16.2 billion at list price, though discounts are typically negotiated. Narrow-body jets make up more than 80% of Delta's fleet, and some of its DC-9s are more than 30 years old. Analysts say replacing older aircraft is crucial for Delta as it seeks to reduce fuel and maintenance costs..[Read More](#)

CHINA LEASING GROUP SET TO BOOST BIZJET FLEET

China's Minsheng Financial Leasing has confirmed its intention to buy more long- and medium-range business aircraft, according to London-based attorney David Tang, who acts as its aviation consultant. The Beijing-based group had placed orders for 17 business jets as of the end of last year, and has already taken delivery of at least one-a Gulfstream..[Read More](#)

AMERICAN CHOOSES ITA FOR ONLINE SHOPPING

American Airlines says it will use ITA Software to power online shopping for consumers and agents buying AA services through a number of online channels, including AA.com and global distribution systems. Google has announced a \$700 million bid to acquire ITA, raising antitrust concerns in some corners of the travel industry, but American says that dispute did not factor into its decision. Rather, American says its partnership with ITA "lays the groundwork for the future of travel, with customized travel options as well as access to these options through every channel."..[Read More](#)

CERTIFICATION EFFORTS FOR 787 EXPECTED TO RESUME TODAY

Sources say Boeing will restart 787 certification flights today for the first time since an in-flight fire grounded the test fleet on Nov. 9. Also today, Boeing is expected to put a seventh 787 in the sky, this one a production model with its tail painted in the livery of All Nippon Airways. ANA is the launch customer for the high-tech jet, though Boeing has yet to announce a revised delivery schedule..[Read More](#)

DASSAULT SMS BUILDS ON LESSONS FROM THE 7X

Dassault is working steadily toward a certification date of 2016 for its much anticipated super-midsize (SMS) Falcon business jet, Olivier Villa, Dassault's senior vice president for civil aircraft, told AIN at last month's Middle East Business Aviation show in Dubai. Launched in January 2008, the twin-engine SMS is intended to be the successor to the..[Read More](#)

QANTAS TO STRENGTHEN TIES WITH AMERICAN

Qantas Airways says it will seek regulatory approval to operate joint services with American Airlines between the U.S., Australia and New Zealand. As a first step in the expanded cooperation, Qantas plans to begin flying May 16 between Sydney and Dallas/Fort Worth, an American hub. From Dallas, the Australian carrier will offer code-share flights on American to destinations in the U.S. and Mexico..[Read More](#)

BOMBARDIER LANDS SALES OF \$285 MILLION AT MEBA

Bombardier achieved a breakthrough sale for its new Global 7000 when Comlux The Aviation Group signed a contract for two of the ultra-long-range jets at last month's Middle East Business Aviation convention in Dubai. It was the first of two deals signed at the show by Bombardier, which left Dubai with at least \$285 million in new business. Comlux selected..[Read More](#)

787 OUTLOOK REMAINS ROSY DESPITE DISAPPOINTED AIRLINES, SUPPLIERS

Airlines aren't the only stakeholders frustrated by delays in Boeing's 787 Dreamliner program. A far-flung network of suppliers has faced a cash crunch due to up-front investments that won't be fully repaid until finished planes are delivered to customers. The delays may cost Boeing up to \$10 billion in penalties for airlines alone, analysts estimate, though they still believe the aircraft will be a long-term success because it has found a "sweet spot" for fuel savings, reduced maintenance costs and greater passenger comfort..[Read More](#)

HAWKER BEECHCRAFT TO STAY IN WICHITA

Hawker Beechcraft and the state of Kansas reached an agreement late last month that will keep the airframer in Wichita for at least the next decade. In return for HBC maintaining its current production lines and retaining at least 4,000 jobs over the next 10 years, the state offered a \$40 million incentive package that includes \$30 million over the next..[Read More](#)

ALTERNATIVE FUELS FOR AVIATION: NAVY AND AIR FORCE ARE BULLISH

As the world economy slowly rights itself and oil prices are poised to move upward, the Navy and Air Force say they're on track to produce at least half of their fuel requirements by the end of this decade, if not earlier. And for the Navy, that also means propulsion fuel for its non-nuclear surface vessels..[Read More](#)

NTSB: 757 IN OVERRUN MISSING A BUSHING

Investigators poring over the American Airlines Boeing 757-200 that ran off Runway 19 while landing at Jackson Hole, Nov. 19, have so far found that a bushing was missing on part of the auto speed brake mechanism. During testing, investigators found "no discrepancies" in the aircraft's air/ground, autobrake, and thrust reverser systems. They found the linear actuator of the auto speed brake mechanism had been "improperly installed." The actuator resides in the cockpit pedestal and without the bushing, a cam and switch could become misaligned. The NTSB is investigating system operation with consideration to that condition. The CVR data has been transcribed and will be released when the NTSB's public docket is opened. The NTSB's FDR group has begun the process of mining data and has released some information..[Read More](#)

SEMI-ANNUAL JET AIRCRAFT VALUE LISTING VALUES OF SOME AIRCRAFT STAGE MODEST RECOVERY

Despite the lack luster emergence of most Western economies from recession, values of some aircraft are experiencing rises as operators seek to cope with higher traffic, greater yields and profitability. Some values are rising however, notably in the freight sector. Widebodies are also experiencing..[Read More](#)

GULFSTREAM TEST-FLIES ELECTRIC-POWERED CONTROLS

The Gulfstream G650 flight-test aircraft recently flew for the first time using only an electrically powered, fly-by-wire backup flight-control actuation system, the company said this week. "There was no difference in handling qualities between the electrically and hydraulically powered modes," said Pres Henne, of Gulfstream. The flight, on Dec. 21, evaluated the electric backup system for over two hours, performing five landings with the system engaged. "It flew so well that unless pilots were told they were in backup actuation mode I don't think they would notice," said test pilot Gary Freeman..[Read More](#)

JAL, AMERICAN SET APRIL 1 START DATE FOR JOINT VENTURE

American Airlines and Japan Airlines say they will begin joint operations on 10 trans-Pacific routes on April 1. By sharing costs and revenue, the companies expect to generate \$156 million in sales and savings. The joint venture will offer "more travel

choices and new and enhanced services to customers that were not previously possible," AA President Tom Horton told reporters during a news conference in Tokyo. Bloomberg..[Read More](#)

CHINA'S STEALTH FIGHTER FLIES

China's stealth fighter, the J-20, has flown for the first time, Chinese officials said on Tuesday. The 15-minute flight took place Tuesday morning from the Chengdu airfield where it was seen last week. Chinese President Hu Jintao confirmed that the first flight had taken place when asked by U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates, who is in China this week. Hu said it was coincidental that it occurred during Gates' visit. The J-20 appears to be a stealth fighter, but defense experts have said the aircraft appears to be less advanced than U.S. fighters. China's own defense minister, Gen. Liang Guanglie, said this week that China is not an "advanced" military force. "The gap between us and that of advanced countries is at least two to three decades," he said, according to The Guardian..[Read More](#)

AFTER 1,000 UNITS, BOEING LOOKS BEYOND THE 767

When Boeing's 1,000th 767 rolls off the assembly line for delivery to All Nippon Airways, it will mark the end of an era. Three decades after it was introduced, the 767 has just 50 more commercial deliveries scheduled, and production is being moved to allow for a new 787 assembly line. Unless the Air Force picks the 767 as its next-generation refueling tanker, the venerable wide-body will cease production within two years..[Read More](#)

CORPORATE ANGELS POST RECORD YEAR IN 2010

Each and every day last year, an average of eight cancer patients were flying on corporate aircraft thanks to the efforts of the Corporate Angel Network (CAN). In all, 3,021 patients flew during the year - a record. That's 9 percent more than the previous annual record of 2,778 and a 21 percent increase over 2009. Corporate Angel Network flights have now transported more than 36,000 cancer patients to or from treatment centers since the organization was founded in 1981. There are 530 corporate aircraft operators participating in the program. Last October, 16-month-old William Relyea flew with his mother home to Syracuse, New York from Westchester (New York) County Airport. He had been treated at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering (MSK) Cancer Center in New York, and he and his mother flew in empty seats on a regular corporate flight coordinated through CAN. William was the 35,000th patient to fly through this arrangement. Dr. Brian Kushner, an oncologist at MSK said, "I see so many patients at the treatment center who are benefiting hugely from this service. Thank you!"

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