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Flightstar Breaks Ground on Maintenance Hangar Project

Champaign, IL (KCMI) – Tuesday 29, 2016 – Flightstar Corporation announces the expansion of their facility as they break ground on a new aircraft hangar. The state of the art 31,000-sq-ft airline maintenance hangar is expected to be completed by late fall of 2016.

Equipped with a 135-foot wide by 34-foot tall Mega Door System, this facility utilizes radiant floor heat, overhead circulation fans, and LED lighting to create optimal working conditions during maintenance operations. Nested between existing hangars, the new facility allows for unobstructed access with an adjoining 21,000 square foot hangar. The existing hangar retains its once 140' exterior doors, creating an optional segregation of space allowing for the control of heat, noise, and/or wind. The now combined facility will boast over 52,000-sq-ft of total floor space, bringing Flightstar's total hangar square footage to over 112,000.

Flightstar currently performs overnight maintenance on American Eagle/Envoy Airlines fleet of Embraer 140 and 145 regional jets. Anticipating the needs of their customer, Flightstar has initiated this recent expansion as Envoy Airlines begins its transition to the considerably larger Embraer 170 and 175 aircraft.

“Flightstar has long adapted to meet the needs of our clients, this expansion allows Envoy and Flightstar to continue as partners into the future” stated Flightstar President, Bill Giannetti. “We have been in business with American Eagle/Envoy for over 30 years. This project is the next step, showing our continued commitment to this company and our community.”

The Dodds Company of Champaign Illinois will oversee this 6.0 million-dollar hangar project.

About Flightstar Corporation

Founded in 1978, Flightstar is an aviation service organization located at the University of Illinois-Willard Airport in Champaign, Illinois (KCMI). With over 100,000 square feet of office and hangar space, the company offers a wide range of services including a full-service fixed base operation (FBO), airline and general aviation maintenance, repair and overhaul operations (MRO), avionics sales with installation and repair, and world-wide executive jet charter with full aircraft management services. Flightstar proudly serves as a Bombardier Authorized Service Facility (ASF) for the Learjet 40, 45, 70, and 75 series of aircraft. Additionally, Flightstar operates as a Honeywell Authorized Service Center for the TFE731 series, HTF7000 and Honeywell APU.

With over 120 team members, Flightstar prides itself on providing world-class aviation services delivered with a Midwestern work ethic and highly personalized customer service. To learn more about us, visit www.FLIGHTSTAR.com or call (800)-747-4777.

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