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### **L-3 Teams with Pacific Aerospace to Provide Light Mobility Training Aircraft**

WACO, Texas, March 24, 2010 – L-3 Platform Integration has teamed with Pacific Aerospace Ltd (PAL) of New Zealand to provide light mobility trainer aircraft to the U.S. Air Force (USAF) for use by the Afghanistan Air Force.

The companies plan to offer a variant of the P-750 Extremely Short Take-Off and Landing (XSTOL) produced by PAL for the USAF Light Mobility Aircraft (LiMA) competition. This multi-use platform can be used for passengers, utility, cargo, surveillance, agricultural projects and firefighting.

“Our team combines the versatility and power of the P-750 XSTOL with L-3’s military systems integration experience, training and integrated logistics support capability,” said James Burkhardt, president of L-3 Platform Integration. “The L-3 and PAL team delivers tremendous value without sacrificing performance.”

“Our P-750 XSTOL has already proven itself in the most demanding operating environments on the planet, including UN World Food Programme work in Chad, Sudan and Nepal; humanitarian work in the highlands of Papua New Guinea; and aerial survey work in the Australian outback and the freezing extremes of Alaska. No other aircraft comes close to the performance, ruggedness and reliability of the P-750 XSTOL,” said Damian Camp, chief executive officer of Pacific Aerospace.

The P-750 XSTOL demonstration flights are scheduled at the FIDAE air show in Santiago, Chile, through March 28. To learn more about the P-750 XSTOL, visit [www.aerospace.co.nz](http://www.aerospace.co.nz).

### **About L-3 Platform Integration**

L-3 Platform Integration provides complex aircraft integration services for military, commercial and OEM customers, including serving as prime contractor for the C-27J Joint Cargo Aircraft. It has operations in Waco, Texas; Crestview, Fla.; Warner-Robins, Ga.; and Tulsa, Okla.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications employs approximately 67,000 people worldwide and is a prime contractor in aircraft modernization and maintenance, C<sup>3</sup>ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) systems and government services. L-3 is also a leading provider of a broad range of electronic systems used on military and commercial platforms. The company reported 2009 sales of \$15.6 billion.

**About Pacific Aerospace**

Located at Hamilton International Airport in New Zealand's North Island, Pacific Aerospace has over 50 years of experience designing and manufacturing rugged and reliable aircraft that perform where others can't. For more information about PAL, visit [www.aerospace.co.nz](http://www.aerospace.co.nz).

Pacific Aerospace has manufactured over 600 aircraft, ranging from the CT-4 two-seat military, fully aerobatic aircraft trainer to the Fletcher FU-24 and Cresco agricultural aircraft, which average up to 17 cycles per hour, to today's P-750 XSTOL, which is setting the benchmark in utility, skydiving and aerial survey roles around the world.

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[About the P-750 XSTOL:

- *The P-750 aircraft has such unique Extremely Short Take-Off and Landing (XSTOL) capabilities that it demanded a class of its own. The result of more than 50 years of evolution, the P-750 XSTOL is the world's first XSTOL aircraft and sets the benchmark for ten-seater utility aircraft. The P-750 is Single Pilot IFR Certified (FAA).*

*The P-750 XSTOL delivers unsurpassed capability to provide:*

- *Take-off and landing in less than 800 ft. (244m), even when it is hot and high*
- *Operate off semi-prepared airstrips in all types of terrain*
- *Carry a load of more than 4,000 lb even in hot and high conditions*
- *Rugged construction with a low 150-hour airframe/engine inspection interval and 39,000 hours before any scheduled airframe maintenance requirement*
- *Proven, globally supported components from leading aerospace companies, including Pratt & Whitney, Hartzell, Garmin and Honeywell]*