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HAWKER BEECHCRAFT OFFERS TAWS+ ON KING AIR B200GT AND 350 MODELS

-- Hawker Beechcraft Selects ACSS's Superior TAWS Solution for King Air Models --

ATLANTA, September 25, 2007 – ACSS, an L-3 Communications & Thales Company, announced today that the Hawker Beechcraft Corporation (HBC), formerly known as the Raytheon Aircraft Company, has selected ACSS's advanced terrain awareness warning system (TAWS), the TAWS+, for installation on the King Air B200GT and 350 aircraft models.

“Hawker Beechcraft has set the new standard for general and business aviation with unsurpassed performance, quality, value and technological innovation,” said ACSS President Kris Ganase. “With our TAWS products on board, Hawker Beechcraft customers will experience the enhanced safety of the most advanced TAWS product available. We're pleased to be HBC's TAWS supplier now on all three of their production King Air models.”

ACSS's TAWS+ and TAWS+*performance* are stand-alone, Class A TAWS for passenger props, jets and military aircraft with over 2,000 units sold or on order as a stand-alone product or as part of ACSS's T²CAS product, an integrated TCAS and TAWS in a single line-replaceable unit (LRU). ACSS's TAWS+*performance* is the industry's only aircraft performance-based TAWS available in the marketplace. The advanced safety capabilities can be applied to any business, regional, air transport or military aircraft to avoid Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT), which gives operators more time to clear terrain and traffic with an increased margin to maneuver and reduce nuisance alerts. The Ground Collision Avoidance Module (GCAM) enables Modes 1-5 and provides unique predictive warnings and cockpit displays.

Among the patented features is a Terrain Advisory Line (TAL) that indicates where the terrain is should the aircraft continue on its flight path. The length and duration of the alert line mirrors the cautionary terrain segment within 30 degrees either side of the aircraft flight path, out to four minutes in front of the aircraft. When the GCAM detects that the aircraft does not have sufficient climb capability to clear the terrain by a standard vertical recovery maneuver, it generates a unique identifiable “Avoid Terrain” aural-visual alert.

Aviation Communication & Surveillance Systems (ACSS), 70% owned by L-3 Communications and 30% owned by Thales, is a leader in safety avionics systems that increase safety, situational awareness and efficiency for aircraft operators. Based in Phoenix, its products include the TCAS 3000 and TCAS 2000 traffic alert and collision avoidance systems; MASS™, an enhanced TCAS for military operations; a family of Mode S transponders; the T²CAS®, and T³CAS™ integrated surveillance systems; and TAWS+, a stand-alone terrain awareness warning system. The portfolio also includes a suite of automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast solutions for pilots operating in the airport vicinity called SafeRoute™. More than 45,000 units of ACSS product are operating in commercial, corporate and military aircraft. To learn more about ACSS, please visit the company's web site at acss.com.

Hawker Beechcraft Corporation is the world's leading business, special-mission and trainer aircraft manufacturer – designing, marketing and supporting aviation products and services for businesses, governments and individuals worldwide. The company's headquarters and major facilities are located in Wichita, Kan., with operations in Salina, Kan.; Little Rock, Ark.; and Chester, England, U.K. The company leads the industry with a global network of over 100 factory-owned and authorized service centers.

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