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ACSS's TCAS 3000SP and RCZ-852 Type Certified on the Cessna Citation Mustang

NBAA2011, LAS VEGAS, October 10, 2011 – ACSS, an L-3 Communications & Thales Company, announced today that its TCAS 3000SP (Surveillance Processor) and RCZ-852 Mode S Transponder have earned type certification as a customer option on the Cessna Citation Mustang entry-level business jet.

TCAS 3000SP is ACSS's next-generation traffic alert and collision avoidance system, complete with the latest TCAS Change 7.1 software. The 3000SP gives operators the ability to easily upgrade the software in the unit to include other safety avionics, such as Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B). The RCZ-852 is a full-feature ICAO Level 3 Mode S diversity transponder in a small, lightweight package optimized for regional and corporate aircraft.

“The TCAS 3000SP and RCZ-852 are key assets in our portfolio of avionics solutions that improve flight safety,” said Terry Flaishans, ACSS vice president and general manager. “We are very pleased that these products are now type certified for Mustang operators.”

The TCAS 3000SP is capable of running a variety of safety avionics systems, including ACSS's new ADS-B product, SafeRoute™. SafeRoute provides enhanced situational awareness to avoid runway incursions during taxi and improved efficiency through its Merging & Spacing function. Its unique hardware design enables aircraft operators to upgrade their suite of safety avionics systems by simply adding software. The Surveillance Processor is available in a four- or six-MCU form factor.

The RCZ-852 Mode S Transponder is designed to meet environmental requirements of unpressurized aircraft to 55,000 feet, with vibration profiles that meet the requirements for turbojets and fixed-wing propeller aircraft. When compared with ARINC Mode S transponders, the RCZ-852 is smaller, lighter and requires less power.

The Citation Mustang is produced by Cessna, a Textron (NYSE: TXT) company.

Phoenix-based Aviation Communication & Surveillance Systems (ACSS), 70 percent owned by L-3 Communications and 30 percent owned by Thales, is a leader in state-of-the-art safety avionics systems that increase safety, situational awareness and efficiency for aircraft operators in all phases of flight. Primary technologies include Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems (TCAS), Terrain Awareness Warning Systems (TAWS), Mode S transponders and Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) capabilities for major airline, business and regional jets, as well as military transport platforms. More than 60,000 units of ACSS product are operating in commercial, corporate and military aircraft. To learn more about ACSS, please visit the company's website at www.acss.com.

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