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HEMISPHERE 200XR PROGRAM DEBUT

Geneva, Switzerland (May 19, 2008) – Tailwind Capital LLC and Global Principal Finance Co., LLC have used the occasion of EBACE, Europe's premier business aviation event, to debut the **Hemisphere 200XR** aircraft program. Based on the venerable CRJ-200 platform, the **Hemisphere 200XR** is a conversion program in cooperation with Georgetown, Delaware-based completion specialists PATS Aircraft. The branding and marketing campaign for the **Hemisphere 200XR** has been unveiled at EBACE jointly by Tailwind and its investment partner in the project, Global Principal Finance Co. LLC, in advance of the first **Hemisphere 200XR** delivery in June, with additional aircraft available to the marketplace in the 3rd and 4th quarters of the year.

The **Hemisphere 200XR** is a large cabin, highly customizable private jet that offers a unique combination of affordability, timely delivery and the highest standards of luxury. The aircraft is expertly converted from well-maintained, low-time Bombardier CRJ-200 aircraft. Each **Hemisphere 200XR** features a comprehensive avionics suite, is current on inspections, and has an exceptional service record. Additionally, the aircraft has been modified with the PATS FAA-certified auxiliary fuel system to allow for up to a 3,000 nm range.

“The **Hemisphere 200XR** program represents a complete rejuvenation of a solid commercial regional jet into a luxurious, well appointed, personalized aircraft that can be delivered in less than 10 months, all for a price tag that is far less than you might imagine,” said Joel Hussey, President of Tailwind Capital. “More importantly, our customer will take European delivery of the first **Hemisphere 200XR** in only a few weeks, making it the first of its kind to enter this market. As exclusive marketers for the aircraft, Tailwind expects to have a total of five aircraft converted by the end of this year.”

Customers taking advantage of early delivery positions will have the ability to customize their aircraft and take delivery within 10 months*. The baseline **Hemisphere 200XR** offers a 15 passenger layout, however the aircraft can be configured for up to 18 passengers with customer selected interior finishes, the PATS fuel system and new, custom exterior livery.

For more information on the Hemisphere 200XR program, Tailwind Capital personnel will be available at EBACE Booth 375 or visit our website at:

www.hemisphere200.com

Tailwind Capital LLC (“Tailwind”) was established in Redmond, Washington in 2000 to focus on investment in aircraft, airlines and aviation-related assets. Tailwind has broad capabilities in aircraft trading, leasing, re-marketing and conversion and has an established track record of successful private investments in operating companies. More info. at www.tailwindcapital.net

Global Principal Finance Company, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.

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PATS is a DeCrane Aerospace company based in Georgetown, Del. CRJ-200 is trademark of Bombardier, Inc.

*Delivery timing is based on our baseline Hemisphere 200XR aircraft – timing can vary due to additional customer options