Lockheed Martin Flight Services Announces New Adverse Condition Alerting Service And Enhanced Flight Planning Website For General Aviation

PALM SPRINGS, Calif., Oct. 11, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Lockheed Martin [NYSE: LMT] Flight Services (LMFS) today announced the launch of the Automated Flight Service Station (AFSS) Pilot Web Portal and the new Adverse Condition Alerting Service (ACAS). ACAS and the Pilot Web Portal will enhance safety and convenience for pilots who use LMFS to file flight plans.

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Pilots who register online and opt-in for ACAS via the Pilot Web Portal will receive alerts of new adverse conditions specific to their filed flight plans via text, email and Iridium satellite devices. The alerts prompt pilots to call or radio LMFS to receive an abbreviated briefing addressing the new adverse condition.

The Pilot Web Portal, accessible through AFSS.com, allows pilots to file flight plans directly with LMFS and retrieve the same briefing information and weather graphics provided to LMFS Specialists. The Pilot Web Portal is in the beta development stage and will continue to evolve with new features.

"Lockheed Martin provides pre-flight and in-flight services to more than 80,000 members of the general aviation community across the country each week," said Jim Derr, director of Lockheed Martin Flight Services. "We know pilots may miss safety-critical information between verbal LMFS briefings. Our new alerting service and Pilot Web Portal keep pilots up to date between voice communications with LMFS."

Pilots attending this week's Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) Aviation Summit 2012 will receive an exclusive opportunity to register for an early beta of AFSS.com's Pilot Web Portal and ACAS alerting options. Attendees can sign up by visiting the Lockheed Martin Flight Services Booth #201. Others can sign up next month for the new services on AFSS.com.

Lockheed Martin has operated Flight Services on behalf of the Federal Aviation Administration through the Automated Flight Service Station contract since 2005. In 2011, Lockheed Martin Flight Services accomplished the following:

- Filed more than 1 million flight plans for aviation pilots;
- Provided more than 1.5 million pilot weather briefings;
- Answered 406,811 aviation radio contacts; and
- Helped pilots in 9,987 aviation search and rescue events.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs about 120,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation's net sales for 2011 were $46.5 billion.

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