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### **Two L-3 Divisions Earn FAA's Newest Airworthiness Designation Authority**

ROCKWALL, Texas – Feb. 15, 2010 – L-3 Communications Integrated Systems Group announced today that two of its divisions have obtained new airworthiness certification designations from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

The new Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) allows L-3 IS aircraft integration facilities to issue FAA Certificates of Airworthiness and Supplemental Type Certificates as designees on behalf of the federal agency.

“This FAA authority attests to our aircraft integration expertise,” said John McNellis, president of L-3 Integrated Systems Group. “Delegation of this certification authority at multiple facilities means we can deliver aircraft without interruption and that our customers have the assurance of FAA-approved certification processes.”

The authorized L-3 Integrated Systems divisions – Mission Integration in Greenville, Texas, and Platform Integration in Waco, Texas – each received independent ODA. While fully independent, the two sites use common procedures and each has FAA-approved engineers, inspectors and test personnel who can support programs at either facility as needed.

The L-3 Integrated Systems ODAs grant the divisions authority to certify modifications for aircraft of virtually all sizes. Authorized areas include a range of heavy structural modifications, major systems installations and head-of-state/VIP interior design and installation. L-3 Integrated Systems authority extends to work on an extensive aircraft model list from manufacturers including Airbus, Alenia, Boeing, Beech, CASA, Cessna, Dassault, Fairchild, Gulfstream, Hawker, Learjet, Lockheed, McDonnell-Douglas, Pilatus and Raytheon.

The ODA authority replaces and expands the FAA's Designated Alteration Station (DAS) authority that L-3 Integrated Systems earned in 1982.

### **About L-3 Communications**

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L-3 Communications Integrated Systems Group develops and integrates defense and commercial technology for U.S. and allied customers worldwide. L-3 Integrated Systems has more than five decades of experience in the development of complex intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems; command and control; and secure communications. It is recognized internationally as a systems integration organization specializing in the modernization and maintenance of aircraft of all sizes. It is a leader in advanced technologies for signal processing, electronic countermeasures, sensor development and aircraft self-protection. Systems provided or maintained by L-3 Integrated Systems help protect military and civilian personnel, bases, assets and national borders throughout the world.

Headquartered in New York City, L-3 Communications employs over 66,000 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 high technology products, subsystems and systems. The company reported 2008 sales of \$14.9 billion.

To learn more about L-3, please visit the company's Web site at [www.L-3com.com](http://www.L-3com.com). L-3 uses its Web site as a channel of distribution of material company information. Financial and other material information regarding L-3 is routinely posted on the company's Web site and is readily accessible.

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