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Astronics Corporation's COREPOWER® Electronic Power Generation and Distribution Solutions and EMPOWER® In-Seat Power Chosen for Cessna Denali Single Engine Turboprop

EAST AURORA, N.Y., Nov. 29, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Astronics Corporation](#) (NASDAQ:ATRO), a leading supplier of advanced technologies and products to the global aerospace, defense and semiconductor industries, announced that it will supply Textron Aviation, a Textron Inc. (NYSE:TXT) company, with an aircraft power system that features Astronics' [COREPOWER® Induction Starter Generator System](#) and [COREPOWER® Electronic Circuit Breaker Units](#), in addition to the 28 Volt DC [EMPOWER® In-Seat Power Supply](#), for the new Cessna Denali single engine turboprop.

Astronics designs and manufactures advanced power generation and distribution systems, which efficiently manage aircraft power. The brushless starter generation unit, a key part of the Induction Starter Generator System, eliminates the need for brush maintenance, which is often one of the highest maintenance items with the poorest reliability on business aircraft today. Additionally, Astronics is providing secondary power distribution via Electronic Circuit Breaker Units, which both simplify and automate the entire power system. These solid state units manage power throughout the aircraft and provide fault detection, circuit protection and programmable load management through automated power control functions, helping to reduce pilot workload and improve crew awareness.

"Astronics is proud to be a part of the Cessna Denali program," said Kellsey Justus, Vice President of Astronics AES Airborne Power & Control. "The technology and innovation being applied to the Cessna Denali program is typically reserved for larger aircraft, and we believe the addition of these systems will enable a significant increase in features and performance for smaller business and general aviation aircraft."

Widely available on Commercial Air Transport and Business Jet aircraft, the patented, highly efficient, EMPOWER® in-seat power systems enable passengers to simultaneously use and charge multiple personal electronic devices in the air.

The program is targeted to achieve first flight in 2018.

For more information on Textron Aviation and its products, visit its website at: www.Txtav.com

ABOUT ASTRONICS CORPORATION

Astronics Corporation (NASDAQ:ATRO) is a leading supplier of advanced technologies and

products to the global aerospace, defense and semiconductor industries. Astronics' products and services include advanced, high-performance electrical power generation, distribution and motion systems, lighting and safety systems, avionics products, aircraft structures, systems certification and automated test systems. Astronics' strategy is to increase its value by developing technologies and capabilities, either internally or through acquisition, and using those capabilities to provide innovative solutions to its targeted markets and other markets where its technology can be beneficial. Through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Astronics has a reputation for high-quality designs, exceptional responsiveness, strong brand recognition and best-in-class manufacturing practices. The Company routinely posts news and other important information on its website at www.astronics.com.

For more information on Astronics and its products, visit www.astronics.com.

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