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Astronics Selected to Provide Exterior Lighting and Cockpit Panels for the Cessna CJ4

EAST AURORA, N.Y.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

Astronics Corporation (NASDAQ: ATRO), a trusted leader in innovative, high performance lighting, electrical generation, control and distribution systems for the global aerospace industry, announced today that they have been selected by Cessna Aircraft Company, a Textron Inc. (NYSE: TXT) company, to supply exterior lighting and cockpit control panels for the Cessna CJ4. The exterior lighting fixtures will feature Astronics' next generation LED technology which provides a significant increase in performance and reliability.

Peter Gundermann, President and CEO of Astronics, commented, "Astronics has been supplying lighting products to Cessna for over 25 years. Being selected by Cessna to provide product for the CJ4 is another step towards the successful execution of our strategy to leverage the strong customer relationships we have built over the years resulting in higher product content on each new aircraft platform. We have shown our commitment to support Cessna's new programs, and Cessna's award demonstrates its confidence in our superior engineering capabilities and quality products."

The CJ4, the most recent platform in Cessna's line of Citation jets, is a seven to eight passenger twin-jet aircraft. Its first flight is scheduled during the first half of 2008, and entry into service is set for the first half of 2010. As of June 2007, Cessna had taken 120 orders for the new jet.

ABOUT CESSNA AIRCRAFT COMPANY

Based on unit sales, Cessna Aircraft Company is the world's largest manufacturer of general aviation airplanes. In 2006, Cessna delivered 1,239 aircraft, including 307 Citation business jets, and reported revenues of about \$4.2 billion and a backlog of \$8.5 billion. Since the company was originally established in 1927, more than 189,000 Cessna airplanes have been delivered to nearly every country in the world. The global fleet of more than 5,000 Citations is the largest fleet of business jets in the world.

More information about Cessna Aircraft company is available at www.cessna.com

ABOUT ASTRONICS CORPORATION

Astronics Corporation is a trusted leader in innovative, high performance lighting, electrical generation, control and distribution systems for the global aerospace industry. Its strategy is to expand the value and content it provides to various aircraft platforms through product development and acquisition. Astronics Corporation, and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Astronics Advanced Electronic Systems Corp. and Luminescent Systems Inc., have a

reputation for high quality designs, exceptional responsiveness, strong brand recognition and best-in-class manufacturing practices.

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

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