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Safety Milestone at the Deadhorse Aviation Center

Arctic aviation facility achieves impressive 6 years of operation – incident free.

Anchorage, AK – October 16, 2018 – The Deadhorse Aviation Center (DAC) would like to formally recognize the DAC staff for the outstanding achievement of working well over 100,000 incident free hours since it became operational in 2012. The achievement is even greater when you consider that the DAC, our clients and contractors have been incident free since its initial construction in 2009.

Located in Prudhoe Bay on the North Slope of Alaska, the DAC operates in a harsh and relentless Arctic environment, and serves as the main hub for ConocoPhillips and BP's crew changes. Shared Services Aviation safely brings approximately one thousand passengers per operational day with their Boeing 737, Casa, and Otter aircraft commuting between Anchorage, Deadhorse, Kuparuk, and Alpine.

The DAC also supports various other operations on the North Slope serving as full service home base for short and long-term projects. We want to recognize the companies currently performing work in the DAC; NAMS, ConocoPhillips, BP, ICE Services, GCI and the US Military; your safety leadership has been vital to this milestone.

"I attribute DAC's success and strong safety culture, in large part, to the collaboration between our team and DAC's great contractors and clients," says Rick Fox, CEO of Fairweather, LLC who is part owner and operates the DAC, "as well as our shared commitment to operational performance without compromise, to the safety and well-being of people and/or assets."

The DAC is frequently upgrading the facility to provide a safe environment to its valued employees and customers. Prevention through design concepts was considered in tackling one of the leading causes of injuries, through the installation of the first heated Jetway on the North Slope. This engineering control eliminated weather exposure and significantly reduced slip, trip and fall risk during boarding and deplaning.

Six incident free years at the DAC have been the result of an unwavering commitment to safety from its employees and leadership. The DAC Safety culture lives through every task


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planned and safely performed, every time a job is stopped to reassess for unforeseen changes, through every safety conversation held between its employees, whenever safe performance is achieved and recognized. The DAC is proud to recognize the people behind this outstanding achievement, and extends our gratitude to the staff and clients of the facility.

“The DAC has adopted many of our partner’s safety best practices,” says Tim Cudney, Director of the Deadhorse Aviation Center, “and we continue to follow the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO); this milestone shows that the effort and focus has paid off, and continues to do so.”

A member of the Edison Chouest Offshore group of companies, Fairweather is an Alaskan company founded in 1976 providing premier support services to Alaska’s natural resource industry. Fairweather’s operations include the Deadhorse Aviation Center – a multi-faceted aviation facility located on the North Slope, supporting the Arctic’s expanding oil and gas industry onshore and offshore. The DAC is wholly owned by Offshore Support Services, LLC (an Edison Chouest Company), Fairweather, LLC and the Kaktovik Iñupiat Corporation.

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PHOTO A : (JETWAY 1)

CUTLINE: Unique to the jetway’s design are built-in safety features, including a cabin floor deicer and an external camera with LCD display in the operational cab showing any movement under tunnels and around wheels.



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PHOTO B : (DAC Aerial)

CUTLINE: Aerial view of the DAC located in Deadhorse, Alaska. Photo courtesy of © Judy Patrick Photography



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