AAR Announces Partnership with Viasat for In-flight Connectivity Logistics, Repair and Aftermarket Support

WOOD DALE, Illinois, January 16, 2018 – AAR (NYSE:AIR), a leading integrator of aviation supply chain solutions, announced today it will provide in-flight connectivity logistics, repair and aftermarket management services to Viasat, a global communications company. Viasat is recognized as delivering the gold standard in in-flight connectivity to airlines, worldwide.

Through this partnership, AAR’s OEM Aftermarket Solutions group will manage the aftermarket inventory pool of Viasat components including modems, antennas, radomes, wireless access points (WAPs) and power supply units (PSUs). These components will be deployed on a forward exchange basis to support Viasat’s current and future airline customers.

“AAR’s scalable solution allows Viasat to leverage our aviation aftermarket expertise through our comprehensive logistics and repair processes,” said Carl Glover, vice president, Parts Supply, AAR. “This global program supports Viasat’s current and future airline customers to ensure maximum system component availability.”

“Our collaboration with Viasat embodies AAR’s purpose: To better connect the world,” said Darren Spiegel, vice president, OEM Aftermarket Solutions, AAR. “We look forward to leveraging our extensive commercial aviation knowledge to assist Viasat in bringing their advanced connectivity services to more airlines and passengers, globally.”

About AAR

AAR is a global aftermarket solutions company that employs more than 5,000 people in over 20 countries. Based in Wood Dale, Illinois, AAR supports commercial aviation and government customers in more than 100 countries. AAR’s Aviation Services include inventory management; parts supply; OEM parts distribution; aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul; and component repair. AAR’s Expeditionary Services include airlift operations; mobility systems; and command and control centers in support of military and humanitarian missions. More information can be found at www.aarcorp.com.

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