

PILATUS RECEIVES EXCELLENT FEEDBACK FROM HONEYWELL APEX USERS

With deliveries of the PC-12 NG well underway, early feedback from operators has proven that Honeywell's Primus Apex avionics system was an excellent choice for the next generation of this legendary aircraft. The PC-12 NG was announced during NBAA 2006 with the official launch taking place one year later at NBAA 2007. The Honeywell Primus Apex system was developed specifically for the PC-12 NG to reduce pilot workload and improve systems integration. As a derivative of the Honeywell Primus Epic system found in much larger aircraft, the Primus Apex system benefits from a wealth of research and development.

Speaking from Broomfield, Colorado Mr. Nicolas Newby, VP of Customer Service at Pilatus Business Aircraft, Ltd. commented: "Deliveries of the PC-12 NG began in May 2008 and we have now handed over nearly 50 examples of this enhanced version to customers worldwide. The global fleet of PC-12 aircraft currently surpasses 800 units and Pilatus continues to evaluate customer feedback as part of their constant improvement policy. We are delighted to learn that the Honeywell Primus Apex system has been well received by users and we look forward to delivering system growth and enhancements over the life cycle of the avionics platform."

Featuring a number of significant improvements over its predecessor, including the fully integrated Honeywell avionics system, a completely new cockpit designed by BMW Group DesignworksUSA, and a more powerful Pratt & Whitney Canada PT6A engine, the PC-12 NG provides operators with a cost effective, efficient and thoroughly reliable solution to meet the needs of an ever changing marketplace. As aircraft capability and the worldwide fleet expand, the PC-12 NG continues to find new interest from a wide variety of operators.



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