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AERO CHARTER PROMOTES NEW CFO

Laura Collins, C.P.A., is the new Chief Financial Officer & Director of Human Resources

(ST. LOUIS/Oct. 18, 2012) Aero Charter Inc., the charter, Fixed Base Operation (FBO) and aircraft support company based at the Spirit of St. Louis Airport, Chesterfield, Mo. (KSUS), is promoting Laura Collins, C.P.A., to Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Director of Human Resources. Collins also serves on the Company's strategic planning board, advising senior management and directing the future of Aero Charter.

Collins' responsibilities include staying up-to-date on the ever-changing tax rules and regulations for aviation companies as well as the requirements for financial statements and human resources. She also works with outside auditors and internal control, while managing financial reporting to state and federal governments. Her other responsibilities include implementing company health and retirement benefits. Collins has been in accounting for 30 years.

"We are extremely pleased to announce the addition of Laura Collins to our senior management team as CFO and director of Human Resources," said John Morgenthaler, President of Aero Charter. "Laura's extensive knowledge in accounting and her industry experience will be invaluable as we continue the growth surrounding our expansion. Since she started working with us in 2005, Laura has been a dedicated, respected member of our team. We are very excited to have her in this position."

Before joining Aero Charter as Controller in 2005, Collins started her own C.P.A. firm, specializing in advising small businesses concerning applicable tax regulations and project financing. From this, she was Controller and later CFO for Hansen's Tree Service. Her resume also includes positions with local firm Bounds, Poger & O'Donnell, as well as Price Waterhouse Coopers.

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Collins attended Wentzville Holt High School and then the University of Missouri-Columbia. She received her degree from the University of Missouri-St. Louis, earning a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) and is a certified C.P.A. Collins is the mother of five children and enjoys reading and golfing in her spare time.

Aero Charter

Locally owned and operated since 1978, Aero Charter is based at the Spirit of St. Louis Airport in Chesterfield, Mo. (KSUS) and provides complete aircraft support services for business and private aircraft. The Company offers worldwide flights with the majority of its clientele traveling throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and South America. The fleet includes jet, turbine and piston aircraft. In addition to charter services, Aero Charter provides full aircraft support services, including aircraft management, maintenance, avionics and FBO ground support. Aero Charter's avionics department specializes in custom installations and repairs. In 1995, Aero Charter introduced Aero Travel, a full-service travel agency. The recipient of numerous safety awards, Aero Charter recently expanded its facilities to include an additional hangar and expansive ramp area, which more than doubles its existing capacity. For information, call 636-537-0005 or visit www.aerocharter.com.

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