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M7 Aerospace Names Gary Merrill as Vice President of Quality Assurance

San Antonio, Texas – M7 Aerospace has named Gary Merrill as Vice President of Quality Assurance, with responsibility for all aspects of the quality assurance programs in Aerostructures Manufacturing; Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul; Government Logistics Support Contracting; Supply Chain Management; Aircraft Parts and Engineering business segments.

Merrill brings more than 25 years of aerospace experience to his new position. In his most recent position with US Airways, Merrill was Managing Director of Quality Assurance and Technical Programs. While there, he oversaw quality assurance, reliability, inspection, training and technical records. During his time with US Airways Merrill enhanced the Continuous Analysis and Surveillance Systems (CASS) utilizing Six Sigma Process Improvement Teams. He has also served as the Business Team Director for the BF Goodrich FAA Part 145 Repair Station in Everett, WA. Merrill served in the U.S. Army as an Operations Officer and Standardization Instructor Pilot, serving tours in the Netherlands and Iraq.

Merrill holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Professional Aeronautics and a Master of Science degree in Operations from Embry Riddle University. He is an instrument-rated commercial pilot with both fixed- and rotor-wing ratings. He holds an FAA Airframe and Powerplant license and is recognized in the industry as an expert in his field. Merrill has been a featured speaker at numerous maintenance, repair & overhaul conventions and professional gatherings.

M7 Aerospace has extensive capabilities in manufacturing, engineering and depot support, specializing in Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) system installations and integration. M7 also has extensive experience with Aircraft Survivability Equipment (ASE) installations. This experience coupled with years of supporting and maintaining aircraft both domestically and world-wide, makes M7 a leading choice for the customer with complex and diverse program requirements.

M7 Aerospace is an integrated service company offering a full suite of aviation services through its seven business segments. M7 offers an integrated services solutions approach to its government and commercial customers, crossing traditional market boundaries.

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The company's seven integrated business segments include Aerostructures Manufacturing; Government Logistics Support Contracting; Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul; Engineering; Aircraft Parts and Service; Purchasing and Supply Management, and Staffing Services.

M7 Aerospace began operations in 2003 after acquiring the assets of Fairchild Aircraft. M7 remains the OEM for the fleet of Fairchild-built Metro, Merlin, Expediter and C-26 aircraft, but has transformed itself into a leading provider of aerospace and defense services. M7 operates from its 405,000 sq. ft. facility located on 22 acres at the San Antonio International Airport and employs nearly 500 people worldwide.

To learn more about M7 Aerospace, please visit the company's Web site at:

<http://www.m7aerospace.com>.