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GKN Aerospace achieves certification milestones for engine parts repair facility in Malaysia

- Civil Aviation Authorities of China, Singapore and UK have issued the base certification to the Johor facility for the repair of CFM56 aero-engine parts
- Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) qualification for CFM56-5B and CFM56-7 fan blades is another important milestone
- Malaysian site now fully certified for CFM56-5B, CFM56-7 and V2500 fan blades along with multiple Geared Turbo Fan (GTF) engine parts

GKN Aerospace's engines parts repair facility in Johor, Malaysia, has achieved a series of landmark certifications. The Malaysian facility has recently received official approvals from international airworthiness authorities including the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC), the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS), and the Civil Aviation Authority in the UK (CAA). In addition, achieving Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) qualification for the PWAEI V2500 fan blades and for CFM56-5B and CFM56-7 fan blades is another important milestone that underscores GKN Aerospace's leadership position in the aerospace industry.

The site will act as a centre of excellence for the repair of engine low pressure compressor (LPC) components for CFM56-5B, CFM56-7 and V2500. The facility will complement GKN Aerospace's existing component repair facility in El Cajon, California. In addition, the Johor site, in collaboration with other GKN Aerospace sites and local universities, will research the application of additive manufacturing technology into engine parts repair.

Around 110 employees currently work at the Malaysia facility, with strong growth in capabilities and people expected over the coming years. GKN Aerospace has invested \$30 million in both the facility and its state of the art equipment and technologies in order to support its customers in the Asia-Pacific region.

Doug Ramey, Sales and Commercial Director at GKN Aerospace said: "I am extremely proud of our team - both those based here in Malaysia and our global parts repair colleagues - who have worked very hard, with great skill and dedication, to achieve this recognition. We have invested in the site and we have injected the latest automated manufacturing technology. With this international certification, we are now ready to support even more customers in the region and accelerate our growth."

## Editor's notes:

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