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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Wipaire Receives New Chinese Approvals**

South Saint Paul, Minnesota, May 14, 2015 – Wipaire, Inc. is pleased to announce the validation of two Supplemental Type Certificates by the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC). The CAAC has granted approval for Wipaire’s single point fueling modification (STC SA00059WI) on the Cessna 208 Caravan, Cessna 208B Grand Caravan, Cessna 208B Grand Caravan EX, and the Quest KODIAK. Approval has also been received for Wipaire’s Hartzell propeller upgrade for the Quest KODIAK (STCSA02991CH).

“As the Chinese market continues to develop and evolve, Wipaire is poised to support Chinese operators with new validations of previous approvals,” commented Chuck Wiplinger, President and COO. “I’d like to congratulate and thank our engineering team for their ongoing work to make our products available to the Chinese market. We would also like to commend the CAAC for their work to develop aviation in China, and expect a bright future for Chinese aviation and Wipaire.”

Dale Fehrenbach, Director of Sales and Marketing, added, “It’s no secret that China is one of the most important markets in the world, with continued growth and investment in aviation. We look forward to bringing more products to China to support this growth.”

First introduced in the United States in 1993, Wipaire’s single point fueling modification brings safety and convenience to operators of both the Cessna Caravan series and Quest KODIAK. The modification allows the aircraft to be fueled on the ground, eliminating the need for ladders and enabling the aircraft to be filled more safely and expeditiously. The risk of damage resulting from over-the-wing fueling is also removed for aircraft equipped with a TKS anti-ice system. Wipaire’s electronic monitoring system ensures that the aircraft is reliably topped off, while a digital display with touch screen controls and easy interface for the user. The single point fueling modification is also approved in Europe by

the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), as well as in Brazil, India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and Canada.

Wipaire's Hartzell propeller upgrade for the Quest KODIAK received United States approval in July of 2011. Approved for both the landplane and floatplane KODIAK, the three-blade Hartzell propeller boasts a 15% increase in static thrust coupled with a water takeoff run reduction of up to 8 seconds. Additionally, the distance to clear a 50-foot (15 m) obstacle during takeoff is reduced by 400-600 feet (120-180 m). This modification is also approved in Indonesia.

### **About Wipaire, Inc.**

For over 50 years, Wipaire has been engineering and manufacturing a full line of aircraft floats for all sizes of aircraft from the Piper Cub to the Viking Twin Otter, including most single engine Cessna aircraft. In addition, Wipaire has engineered over 100 Supplemental Type Certificated modifications for improved performance, convenience, and reliability. As a leading aircraft service provider, Wipaire offers maintenance, avionics installation and repair, custom interior design and installation, and exterior paint refinishing all in one convenient location. Wipaire is recognized for its quality products and engineering expertise worldwide.

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