

## Aircraft Manufacturing Expert Captures Award For Significant Contributions To Aviation Industry

Washington, D.C. (<u>PRWEB</u>) August 11, 2008 – With 260 peers in attendance, Bruce Sechler, Senior Investigator at Boeing Commercial Airplanes was honored with the 2008 Edward J. Glueckler Award by the Aviation Suppliers Association (ASA) Board of Directors at the organizations annual conference.

President of ASA, Michele Dickstein, noted that, "Bruce's leadership within ASA and through out industry made him a perfect choice for the Glueckler Award. Sechler has had a positive impact on the association, through his ability to share his extensive technical knowledge and build personal relationships with our global members. And we are pleased to present this award to a longtime member of ASA and the aviation industry."

Each year, the Edward J. Glueckler Award is presented at ASA's Annual Conference in recognition of outstanding commitment, dedication, and contribution to the Association and the aviation industry. The award is named for the founder and first President of the Aviation Suppliers Association, who was on hand to present this year's award at the Paris Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

"Bruce is a true industry leader in his dedication to safety and education within the commercial aviation sector. His passion for educating the industry on the topic of unapproved parts has helped to raise the level of awareness among suppliers, manufacturers, and air carriers around the world," states, Edward J. Glueckler, with Siemens Corporation and Founding President ASA. "It came as no surprise to me that Bruce was recognized by his peers within industry for his dedication and service."

## **About Boeing Commercial Airplanes**

Boeing has been the premier manufacturer of commercial jetliners for more than 40 years. With the merger of Boeing and McDonnell Douglas in 1997, Boeing's leadership in commercial jets, joined with the lineage of Douglas airplanes, gives the combined company a 70-year heritage of leadership in commercial aviation. Today, the main commercial products are the 737, 747, 767 and 777 families of airplanes and the Boeing Business Jet. New product development efforts are focused on the Boeing 787 Dreamliner, and the 747-8. The company has nearly 12,000 commercial jetliners in service worldwide, which is roughly 75 percent of the world fleet. Through Boeing Commercial Aviation Services, the company provides unsurpassed, around-the-clock technical support to help operators maintain their airplanes in peak operating condition. Commercial Aviation Services offers a full range of world-class engineering, modification, logistics and information services to its global customer base, which includes the world's passenger and cargo airlines, as well as maintenance, repair and overhaul facilities. Boeing also trains maintenance and flight crews in the 100-seat-and-above airliner market through Alteon, the world's largest and most comprehensive provider of airline training.

To learn more about Boeing Commercial Airplanes and Boeing Engineering, Operations & Technology that support Boeing's business units please visit their web site at: <a href="http://www.boeing.com">www.boeing.com</a>

## **About Aviation Suppliers Association**

The Aviation Suppliers Association (ASA), based in Washington, D.C., is a not-for-profit trade association, representing more than 330 global member companies that purchase and distribute aircraft parts worldwide. With approximately 140 years combined aviation leadership experience, ASA's Board of Directors and Corporate Officers focus the organizations energies on regulatory and legal matters such as safety, federal compliance, and ethical business practices that impact the aviation parts supply industry. As a result of the groups auditing capabilities, over 240 companies have received global accreditation since 1996. Member companies include: distributors, suppliers, surplus sales organizations, repair stations, manufacturers, air carriers and other companies that provide services to the aviation parts supply industry. In addition, ASA has been recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for Database Management, Industry Voluntary Accreditations, and contributes to House and Senate proceedings with an aviation focus. ASA has also been featured in Aviation Maintenance, Aircraft Technology Engineering & Maintenance, Overhaul & Maintenance, SpeedNews, and USA Today, along with other business journals and leading industry publications. Most recently, the organization participated in and supported the Aircraft Fleet Recycling Association (AFRA) aircraft disassembly exhibit showcased this July at the 2008 Farnborough Air Show held in the United Kingdom.

To learn more about ASA, accreditation, and the annual conference scheduled for July of 2009 which is sponsored by many key aviation companies visit the associations web site at: <u>www.aviationsuppliers.org</u>

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