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Dassault Falcon Opens Service Center at Reno-Tahoe International Airport

RENO, NV -- Reno-Tahoe International Airport is the new home of the West Coast service center for international aviation manufacturer Dassault Falcon.

The French-owned business jet manufacturer plans to open the nearly 40,000 square foot factory-owned service center in the first quarter of 2009.

"The western United States has experienced a sharp increase in demand for new Falcons over the past five years," said John Rosanvallon, President and CEO of Dassault Falcon. "This facility in Reno is significant for not only the increased support in that part of the country but also the overall coverage that this adds for the entire United States."

Krys T. Bart, President/CEO of Reno-Tahoe International Airport, said the new service center will raise the international profile of the airport by attracting Dassault Falcon aircraft from Canada and Central America.

"We are thrilled today to announce the newest member of the family of businesses at Reno-Tahoe International," Bart said. "In these challenging economic times, it is a true honor to welcome an international business like Dassault to our region and to our airport."

The service center will eventually be staffed by over 40 highly skilled Dassault Falcon personnel. They will also support a 'Go Team' to provide rapid mobile response directly to an aircraft location anywhere in the United States with the parts and tools necessary to get a Falcon flying with minimal delay.

Dassault Falcon is responsible for selling and supporting Falcon business jets throughout the world. It is part of Dassault Aviation, a leading aerospace company with a presence in over 70 countries across 5 continents. Dassault Aviation produces the renowned Mirage and Rafale fighter jets as well as a complete line of Falcon business jets. The company has assembly and production plants in both France and the United States and service facilities on both continents. It employs a total workforce of over 12,000. Since the rollout of the first Falcon 20 in 1963, over 1,950 Falcon jets have been delivered to more than 65 countries worldwide.

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