MTU Maintenance Zhuhai completes 2,000th engine shop visit

Zhuhai, November 4th, 2016 – MTU Maintenance Zhuhai, a 50/50 joint venture between Germany’s leading engine manufacturer MTU Aero Engines and China Southern Air Holding Company, has completed its 2,000th engine shop visit, a V2500-A5 owned by China Southern Airlines. The achievement will be celebrated in a small ceremony with representatives from both joint partners as well as employees.

“I’d like to thank our customers and partners for their valued business and helping us reach this impressive milestone so quickly,” says Frank Bodenhage, President and CEO of MTU Maintenance Zhuhai. “Furthermore, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our employees, who made this achievement possible.”

Set up just 15 years ago, MTU Maintenance Zhuhai has become China’s largest maintenance shop and is well positioned to become the leading engine services provider in Asia. MTU Maintenance Zhuhai is the Chinese market leader and specialized in servicing the CFM56 and V2500 narrowbody engine families. In fact, the shop completed its 1,000th CFM56 engine visit earlier this year. Demand for such engine services is increasing rapidly, and MTU Maintenance Zhuhai’s revenue doubled in the past five years alone. With a capacity for up to 300 shop visits a year, MTU Maintenance Zhuhai is prepared for and looking forward to meeting upcoming demand – both within Asia and around the world.

MTU Maintenance Zhuhai is located in Zhuhai's free trade zone and benefits from its proximity to Hong Kong, Guangzhou, Shenzhen and Macao. Service teams can be dispatched to the customers in the region in no time. The Zhuhai shop has an advanced machinery and performs 80% of parts repairs in-house. MTU Maintenance Zhuhai serves customers from China, Asia and around the world. In addition to China Southern, major customers include International Aero Engines, Saudia Airlines, All Nippon Airways, Brazilian GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes as well as Chinese Sichuan Airlines, Xiamen Airlines and Hainan Airlines. Last year, about one third of the engines sent in for a shop visit came from airlines based outside of China. The company employs a workforce of around 740 qualified professionals.

**About MTU Aero Engines**

MTU Aero Engines AG is Germany's leading engine manufacturer. The company is a technological leader in low-pressure turbines, high-pressure compressors, turbine center frames as well as manufacturing processes and repair techniques. In the commercial OEM business, the company plays a key role in the development, manufacturing and marketing of high-tech components together with international partners. Some 30 percent of today’s active aircraft in service worldwide have MTU components on board. In the commercial maintenance sector, the company ranks among the top 5 service providers for commercial aircraft engines and industrial gas turbines. The activities are combined under the roof of MTU Maintenance. In the military arena, MTU Aero Engines is Germany's industrial lead company for practically all engines operated by the country's military. MTU operates a network of locations around the globe; Munich is home to its corporate headquarters. In the fiscal year 2015, the company had a workforce of some 9,000 employees and posted consolidated sales of approximately 4.4 billion euros.

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