MTU Maintenance Canada celebrates 25 year anniversary and opens training academy

Vancouver, September 8, 2023 – MTU Maintenance Canada, a North American affiliate of German engine manufacturer MTU Aero Engines, is celebrating its 25th anniversary today with customers, partners, local politicians and trade union representatives as well as its over 500-strong expert workforce.

“We are extremely proud to have achieved this milestone and excited for the future,” says Uwe Zachau, CEO and Managing Director, MTU Maintenance Canada. “We believe in our skills, our workforce and our region. To this end, we are also delighted to be opening our new training academy today too.” In collaboration with the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) and funding from PacifiCan, MTU Maintenance Canada will be providing a cutting-edge training program that combines theoretical learning with applied experience in engine disassembly, assembling and testing for 36 individuals. Following on from this training program, the participants can be taken on and expand their knowledge at MTU.

With BCIT as the lead applicant, this initiative is government funded and designed to respond to labor market demand, in particular in the MRO sub-sector. “This is not only an economical booster for the region,” adds Zachau. “But a win-win situation for all involved. The program is designed by BCIT and expanded with technical expertise from MTU Maintenance Canada. We are excited to welcome the first students to the MTU family in October.”

Just over two years ago, MTU Maintenance Canada completed its relocation to a new facility in Delta, British Columbia, consolidating activities and increasing its overall size by around 60 percent. Since then, the team has mastered the industrialization of the V2500 and CF6-80 engine programs and competes successfully for third party MRO contracts, in particular on the North American continent. “Thanks to the team for their hard work, commitment and dedication over the past few years, thanks also to our customers and partners for their continued trust in us,” says Zachau. “We are very proud of our joint history and substantial achievements.”

MTU Maintenance Canada is also MTU’s military maintenance expert, originally serving the KC-10 program and now servicing the F138 and F108 engine fleet. It is also MTU’s line replaceable unit (LRU) and accessory center of competence (ARC) and manages a volume of over 12,000 accessories each year. Further, the ARC is now commencing work on LEAP accessories as per the licensing agreement signed with Honeywell Aerospace in 2021.

**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 3 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 fiscal 2022, the company had a workforce of more than 11,000 employees and posted consolidated sales of 5.3 billion euros.

**About the British Columbia Institute of Technology**

For nearly 60 years, the British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT) has been delivering flexible, relevant, and future-proof education that prepares learners to provide applied solutions to industry challenges. As one of BC’s largest post-secondary institutes with five campuses, 300+ programs, and over 45,000 students enrolled each year, BCIT connects education, industry, and government in building an agile workforce. The BCIT curriculum is developed through close consultation with industry, and delivered by instructors who have hands-on experience in their fields. Students gain the technical skills and real-world experience needed to lead innovation in their workplaces and communities.

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