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PRESS RELEASE

Aviation Businesses Expanding at Triangle North Executive Airport
Aircraft mechanics and avionics lab expand business operations

Franklin County, N.C. – May 1, 2020: Franklin County welcomes the expansion of Total Flight Solutions (TFS) and Triangle Avionics (TA) at Triangle North Executive Airport (TNEA). Both businesses are a huge asset for our aviation community that service both existing airfield tenants as well as numerous outside clients.

Total Flight Solutions, established at TNEA in 2011, has expanded its capacity with the purchase of an existing 27,132 square foot hangar at the airport that will be their base for aviation frame and powerplant mechanical operations for the future. The land lease was executed for their operations until 2059.

“The expansion of Total Flight Solutions at Triangle North Executive Airport has allowed me to expand our workforce by four employees and aviation service offering to both the flight school operation as well as maintenance and repair,” states Al Mattress, Owner of Total Flight Solutions. “TNEA brings about an environment that makes us competitive in the marketplace to grow the aviation careers of pilots, bring service and maintenance to the airfield and beyond as well as address our capacity needs for future growth.”

A top tier Flight School and air operation provider in North Carolina, Total Flight Solutions participates in both the Part 61 and newly acquired Part 141 programs. The Part 141 program allows for airplane private pilot training at Triangle North Executive Airport. In the near future, TFS also plans to accept VA benefits followed by visas for international flight training students. Total Flight Solution also leases out 60,000 square feet of hangar storage space as well as office space for its Flight School.

“The success of Total Flight Solutions is a testament to the quality of service they provide to clients and tenants to the airfield,” stated Bo Carson, Airport Manager. “I am thrilled they chose to expand at TNEA and plan to continue their growth here both in flight school operations and aviation mechanics in the future.”

Triangle Avionics has also recently expanded its operation into a 60,000 square foot hangar located at Triangle North Executive Airport. This will complement their office and lab space on the airfield that service airfield tenants as well as outside clients.

"Triangle Avionics is thrilled to be a part of the TNEA business and aviation community," states Cliff Herndon, Owner of Triangle Avionics. "We have quickly grown to four employees and are dealers for the leading manufactures of avionics equipment. Our vision for growing capabilities and capacity are lockstep with Franklin Counties plans for the airport, making TNEA an ideal place to call home."

"Triangle North Executive Airport is excited that Triangle Avionics is expanding its operation by the establishment of a new FAA repair avionics service station on the airfield," stated Bo Carson, Airport Manager. "Having a repair avionics service station on our airfield is a gamechanger and adds to our diversity of aviation businesses that call us home."

Triangle Avionics currently service avionic systems that include Aircraft Spruce, Aspen, BendixKing, Garmin, Genesys Aerosystems, MidContinent Instrument+Avioncs, Stratus and TrueTrak. Triangle Avionics offers the following services and certifications in altimeter and transponders, custom panels and overlays, installations, and troubleshooting and repair.

"Triangle North Executive Airport and Franklin County continue to offer an attractive location for aviation employers to succeed," stated Sydney Dunston, Chair of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. "The expansion of these two aviation-related businesses show that the airport and businesses are thriving at Triangle North Executive Airport."

About Total Flight Solutions LLC:

Total Flight Solutions LLC is a full-service aviation company with locations in Louisburg in Franklin County and Pinehurst in Moore County. Established in January 2011, Total Flight Solutions has a goal of providing safe, friendly and cost-effective aviation services. They offer both aircraft and rotor flight certification, airframe and powerplant repair as well as charter and tour operations.

About Triangle Avionics LLC:

Triangle Avionics LLC is a FAA Certified Repair Station # 5R9R534D for avionics located at Triangle North Executive Airport. They offer avionics repair certifications and provide installation and repair service to clients nationwide.

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