CLAY LACY AVIATION LINE SERVICE TECHNICIANS COMPLETE GULFSTREAM GROUND HANDLING TRAINING PROGRAM

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More than 60 Clay Lacy Aviation line service technicians completed Gulfstream-authorized ground handling and service training for Gulfstream aircraft. The specialized training developed by Gulfstream Aerospace and FlightSafety International is designed to improve dispatch reliability and increase safety. Sixty-six technicians across Clay Lacy Aviation FBOs in Van Nuys and Orange County have completed the courses, with training for its technicians at itsWaterbury-Oxford, Connecticut, FBO opening later this year to follow.

Buddy Blackburn, Senior Vice President of FBO Services, commented: “Comprehensive training demonstrates Clay Lacy Aviation’s commitment to providing a legendary experience and safety-focused culture at our FBOs. When our newest FBO opens this year in Connecticut, our technicians will be similarly trained, to ensure that continuity of excellence that is expected will be delivered throughout all of our properties.”

Gulfstream-FlightSafety program features explanations and demonstrations of best practices for handling and servicing the full range of Gulfstream aircraft. It includes parking, walkarounds,

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fueling, towing, snow and ice removal, among others. The training helps identify and mitigate risks to people and aircraft on the ramp. The training continues Clay Lacy Aviation's company-wide approach to a culture of safety promotion, as recently demonstrated by its validation that placed Clay Lacy in the top 2% of Part 135 operators in the United States to complete the FAA SMS Voluntary Program.

Clay Lacy Aviation currently operates two FBOs – part of World Fuel's Air Elite and Paragon Aviation Groupnetworks, the largest network of independent FBOs in the world – with experienced teams at Van Nuys Airport (KVNY) and John Wayne Orange County Airport (KSNA). Its first FBO in the Northeast is scheduled to open this year at Waterbury-Oxford Airport (KOXC) in Oxford, Connecticut. All Clay Lacy FBOs provide sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), utilize renewable energy, provide composting and recycling waste management systems, and have been certified facilities neutral by 4Air.aero since 2019.

Its Waterbury-Oxford FBO is ideally located between the New York and Boston metro areas and will feature 120,000 square feet of hangar capacity, 15,000 square feet of FBO and office. Hangar space is going fast with a few spots still available. The hangars are designed and built to accommodate today's largest and most modern business jets, including the Gulfstream G700, Global 7500 and Falcon 10X, with 29-foot hangar doors, enhanced amenities and covered automobile parking.

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