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## **Linear Air Introduces First All Weather Eclipse to Commercial Service**

### *Long-awaited upgrades enhance charter and pilot training*

CONCORD, MA, January 26, 2010 – Linear Air, the leading Eclipse 500 air-taxi and pilot training provider, today introduced into service the industry’s first Eclipse 500 upgraded for Flight Into Known Icing (FIKI) and Avio NG version 1.5, which includes GPS WAAS navigation and advanced autopilot functionality.

Linear Air will operate the upgraded Eclipse 500 in the Northeast U.S. from Hanscom Airport in Bedford, MA outside Boston, serving air-taxi charter customers from New England to metropolitan New York.

In addition, as an FAA-approved provider of Eclipse pilot training, Linear Air will offer FIKI and Avio 1.5 differences training in the company’s upgraded airplane.

Bill Herp, CEO of Linear Air commented, “Icing conditions exist when there is rain, snow or even clouds, and the temperature is less than 50 degrees Fahrenheit. This has frequently kept our customers grounded, especially in the winter, but even in the rest of the year.” Mr. Herp added, “We’re proud to be the first commercial operator to introduce the upgraded Eclipse to our air-taxi charter and pilot training customers.”

### **About Linear Air**

Based in Concord, Massachusetts, Linear Air is a FAA-certified part 135 charter operator providing air taxi service using the revolutionary four-passenger Eclipse 500 business jets. Linear Air is also an FAA authorized and insurance approved provider of pilot training and maintenance to owner-operators of the Eclipse 500. Linear Air maintains a Gold safety rating from ARG/US, the leading independent safety auditor in the aviation industry. For more information, please visit [www.linearair.com](http://www.linearair.com) call 1-877-2-LINEAR or email [info@linearair.com](mailto:info@linearair.com)