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MCLARENS AVIATION EXPANDS SENIOR TEAM WITH RECRUITMENT AND PROMOTIONS

In line with its plans for continued international expansion, McLarens Aviation, the largest provider of survey and loss adjusting services to the global aviation industry, has recruited a Business Development Director, in addition to promoting a number of senior personnel to national and international management roles.

The specialist aviation adjuster has recruited **Trehane Oliver** to fill the newly created role of **Business Development Director**. With over 25 years experience working in the aviation insurance sector, Trehane has held senior underwriting and broking roles within the London and international markets. Latterly a Business Development and Distribution Manager at Brit Aviation, he also spent seven years at QBE Aviation (where he held both Business Development and Portfolio Management roles) and, prior to that, 16 years at Willis. A fluent Spanish speaker who has held overseas posts in Buenos Aires and Mexico City, Trehane has a deep understanding of the international insurance industry and will oversee business development strategy on an international level.

Trehane's appointment coincides with the announcement of a number of promotions within the existing senior management team at McLarens Aviation. Effective from 1st April 2015:

- **John Bayley will take on the role of Regional Director, Europe and Russia:** Currently heading up the UK Claims team, John's new role will see him overseeing operations across the region, including offices in London, Moscow and Paris. John joined the business in 1998 as an experienced aircraft engineer and private pilot, having held senior engineering positions in the UK, Europe and Australia. He has handled many claims and a large number of complex and major incidents and accidents in various geographical regions.
- **David Bickerton will take on the role of Regional Director, Middle East and Africa:** Currently Director, Middle East, David is an experienced Aircraft Engineer who, prior to joining McLarens Aviation in 1992, spent over a decade in the Middle East, holding a number of management positions within airline engineering. Previously heading up the company's claims team in London, David's new role will involve overseeing operations across the region, including offices in Abu Dhabi and Johannesburg.
- **Bill Garcia will become Regional Manager, USA:** Currently Vice President, USA, Bill has been with the business for 16 years and his role at McLarens Aviation includes all aspects of claims handling, plus involvement in various Risk Management projects, aircraft condition and records inspections. Bill will oversee and will be the point of contact for operations across the USA including offices in Chicago, Houston, Miami and Seattle.
- **David Hitchen will become Executive Director, London:** Currently an Associate Director in the London office, David has been with the business for 11 years and is acknowledged by the market as a major and complex loss specialist.

At the same time both **Paul Clark** and **Nick Payne** will take on the title of Executive Director, covering their global roles in the McLarens Aviation Claims and Risk & Asset Management businesses respectively.

Nigel Minett, Managing Director, commented: "I'm very pleased to welcome Trehane to McLarens Aviation. His wealth of experience, network of contacts and knowledge of both the broking and underwriting sides of the market will make him a great asset to the business. I would also like to congratulate the team on their promotions. All are long serving employees of McLarens Aviation in addition to being industry leaders with an immense knowledge and understanding of their respective markets. That we are continuing to invest in our personnel across the globe is indicative of the emphasis we place on building our international network. Last year we opened new offices in Chicago, Vancouver and Brazil, as well as announcing recruitment across the board, and we envisage further growth of this kind in the coming year."

NOTES TO EDITORS:

McLarens Aviation is the aviation division of global claims services provider McLarens.

McLarens Aviation is a leading provider of risk, survey and loss adjusting services to the global aviation industry, specialising in all types of aircraft, from helicopters and single-seater general aviation aircraft, to business jets and large airliners. Our clients include the aviation insurance market, aircraft operators, airports, maintenance and repair organisations (MROs), financiers, lessors, oil and mining companies, law firms and regulators.

McLarens Aviation is the world's largest specialist aviation loss adjusting provider, both in terms of geographical reach and human resource. It has a team of over 70 in-house aviation specialists, operating across 25 offices in 15 countries. Moreover, McLarens has a global network of loss adjusters that spans the globe, operating in 300 locations around the world.

McLarens Aviation manages in excess of 2,900 insurance related assignments each year.

McLarens Aviation also offers tailored risk audits as well as boasting one of the most comprehensive independent asset management capabilities in the business, providing a broad range of services from expert advice during aircraft acquisition, to a full aircraft portfolio management function, for lessors, banks, financiers and operators.

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