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North Star Aviation named newest Thrush dealer in Midwest

Extensive facility will serve operators in Kansas, Colorado, Texas and Oklahoma

(Albany, GA) –Thrush Aircraft today announced the appointment of North Star Aviation as a fully certified dealer and service center for all Thrush models. Based in Ulysses, Kansas, North Star is well known to ag operators throughout the Midwest, having served the region for almost twenty years.

The addition of North Star to the Thrush dealer network is considered a key part in the company’s aggressive growth and support plan.

“The Midwest has always been a hot bed for some of the best ag operators and pilots in the business” said Payne Hughes, president of Thrush Aircraft “and, for us, it’s very important to support each of them in the absolute best way possible. To do so – we did our homework, spoke to a lot of folks, and watched the high levels of service Steve and his team at North Star provided their customers. Simply put, they’re a terrific match for Thrush – and will be a huge help in extending the personal care and support we strive to deliver to our customers each and every day” he continued.

North Star Aviation is owned and operated by Steve and Samantha Rice. In addition to being a full sales and service center for Thrush, they are also a Satloc dealer, and provide a complete range of services for ag operators in their region. They presently oversee the care of some one hundred spray aircraft in the area, and pride themselves on being the perfect one-stop-shop for owners and pilots.

“Samantha and I are very excited to have been selected as Thrush’s newest dealer” said Mr. Rice, “their airplanes are particularly well suited for this area – and they’ve become extremely popular with both the operators and the pilots we work with here” he concluded.



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In addition to new aircraft sales, North Star Aviation carries an extensive inventory of parts to support both the Thrush 510P and 510G, as well as earlier models. They also have field service and certified inspection capabilities in house.

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Caption for attached photo:

North Star wins Thrush. North Star Aviation has become the newest full service dealer and service center for Thrush Aircraft. The well-known Ulysses, Kansas based facility will serve ag operators in Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas with a complete range of new Thrush aircraft, as well as parts and support services.

About Thrush Aircraft Company

Headquartered in Albany, Georgia, Thrush Aircraft manufactures a full range of aerial application aircraft used in agriculture, forestry and fire fighting roles worldwide. Founded in 2003, Thrush is well-known for building the most durable aircraft in the aerial application industry, as well as the best flying – from both pilot and operator perspectives. All Thrush models provide superb visibility, light control response, and a high degree of maneuverability and speed, along with superior efficiency and low direct operating costs. Today there are more than 2,000 Thrush aircraft operating in some 80 countries around the world.