



Saga Airlines Chooses AFI KLM E&M to maintain B737 CFM56-7B Engines

Paris, Amstelveen, 07 June 2010 – Saga Airlines signed a five-year contract with AFI KLM E&M for the maintenance of CFM56-7B engines equipping their Boeing 737 Next- Generation aircraft. The agreement covers maintenance of engines on a turnkey basis, including additional services.

Proven reliability and quality, with additional services

The contract is related to maintenance of CFM56-7B engines that need shop visits and local repairs. Proven quality, short and stable turnaround time, on site repair capabilities and ability to offer a spare engine during shop visits and within short notice, made SAGA choose for AFI KLM E&M to maintain the engines of its growing fleet of Boeing 737 Next-Generation aircraft.

Turn Key contract, experienced provider

AFI KLM E&M operates one of the world's most experienced engine shops for maintaining CFM56-7 power plants, having performed close to 230 shop visits on this type. The creation of a new engine shop at Schiphol in 2004, substantially boosted engine maintenance capacity. AFI KLM E&M and its customers will be able to take the forecasted upcoming surge in CFM56-7 shop visits in their stride. The maintenance facilities at Paris and Amsterdam can deliver tailor-made, integrated solutions to match customer needs.

"This contract with Saga is further strengthening our position in the growing Turkish market. Our success is based on proven quality and efficient turnaround time combined with the ability to offer tailor made programs at lowest overall cost," said Rob Pruim, KLM E&M VP Sales International.

About Saga Airlines

Saga Airlines is the sister company of Saga Tours and Istanbul Petrol A.Ş and managed by Abdulkadir Kolot as Chairman and Ali Birhan Temel as General Manager. Having almost 20 years of background, Saga received the operating license in April 2004 from the Ministry of Transportation, General Directorate of Civil Aviation. It is a charter airline based in Istanbul Turkey, which serves the tourism industry. The Saga airlines fleet consists of two Airbus A310-304, one Airbus A330-343, two Boeing 737-400 and four Boeing 737-800's.

About AFI KLM E&M

Following the merger between Air France and KLM, Air France Industries and KLM Engineering & Maintenance joined forces to become the world-leading multi-product MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul) provider. With a joint workforce of over 14,000, AFI KLM E&M offers comprehensive technical support capabilities for airline operators ranging from engineering and aero structures work to the management, repair and supply of aircraft parts and components, backed by a powerful logistics network. Together they support more than 1,230 aircraft operated by over 150 major international airlines. For more info, connect to afiklm.com.

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