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**For Immediate Release**

### **KAHALA CONVERTS OPTION TO FIRM ORDER**

MIAMI, FL., --December 5, 2013-- Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI), is pleased to announce that Kahala Aviation of Ireland has converted one of two options secured in April 2013 to a firm order. The third aircraft is a high gross weight B737-400 (MSN 25372) built in 1992 and will undergo freighter modification in November of 2013 at AEI's Authorized Conversion Center, Commercial Jet Services in Dothan Alabama. The B737-400 will be converted on a speculative basis and available for lease in April 2014.

Mr. Mark Thatcher, Chief Aircraft Trader for Kahala Aviation stated that "Following the completion of our first Dothan converted aircraft and the upcoming delivery of the second, it made sense to move forward with an additional aircraft." He goes on to say "With the new facility now hitting its stride we feel sure it will not be long before we convert our remaining and new option aircraft to firm orders."

AEI's B737-400SF shall provide Kahala's customers with a Main Deck capable of carrying multiple ULD's including:

- (10) 88"x125" AAA Containers/pallets, P1 to P10 or
- (8) 96"x126" ULD's and
- (1) 53"x88"x64" Pallet or AEP/AEH or 60.4"x61.5" AKE/LD3 or 61.5"x88"x56"H AYY in P11

This unique flexibility has been designed by AEI to allow the operator to immediately adapt to multiple ULD configurations at a moment's notice. When combined with proven reliability, the AEI Converted B737-400SF will allow Kahala's customers to keep their aircraft where they belong "In the air, generating revenue".





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### **About AEI**

Formed in 1958, Aeronautical Engineers, Inc. (AEI) is the oldest conversion company in existence today. For more than 55 years AEI has provided advanced engineering solutions to aircraft owners and operators. Today the company is a global leader in passenger to freighter conversions for a wide array of aircraft, helping customers extend the life of the aircraft and increase the value of their asset. AEI has developed over 120 Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs) and 385 aircraft have been modified with AEI STCs – more than any other conversion provider.

### **About Kahala Aviation Ltd.**

Kahala Aviation is a global aviation company focusing on leasing and trading of used commercial aircraft and structured finance solutions for its clients. With offices in Europe, USA and Asia, its core management team has worked together for 10 years, acquiring nearly 60 aircraft of various types. Kahala Aviation's management has been involved in the 737 Classic freighter market since 2008 when it completed and leased its first successful freighter conversion on spec.

### **About Commercial Jet**

Commercial Jet, with repair station facilities in Miami Florida and Dothan Alabama specializes in heavy maintenance and modification services, complete airframe inspections, freighter conversions, interior modifications and avionics upgrade programs. Commercial Jet also offer lease return services, refitting passenger and cargo aircraft for return to market. Their professional team services a wide variety of commercial aircraft types, including B717, B727, B737, B757, B767, DC8, DC9, DC10/MD-11, MD80/90, A320 and A300. [www.commercialjet.com](http://www.commercialjet.com)

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