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**PRESS RELEASE**

**SUPER98, LLC CONFIRMS SUCCESSFUL MD-80 DRAG REDUCTION FLIGHT TESTS**

Super98, LLC is proud to announce the successful design, testing and validation of its Phase I Drag Reduction Kit for the MD-80 Aircraft. Super98 is a private firm staffed principally by experienced former Douglas Aircraft executives and engineers. Super98 is fully licensed by the Boeing Company to design and fabricate parts for the McDonnell Douglas family of TwinJets.

Over the past two years, Super98 has been active in the development of drag reduction concepts for the Douglas TwinJets which include the MD-80, MD-90 and the Boeing 717 (MD-95). Of recent, Super98's primary focus has been to validate the effectiveness of the Phase I Drag Reduction configuration developed to reduce fuel consumption. The net effect is to extend the economic life of the MD-80. The cost effective Phase I Drag Reduction design for this aircraft has now been established, not only analytically with validation via Computer Flow Dynamics (CFD) tools but also confirmed in a now completed flight test program.

The testing was conducted on a fully instrumented MD-83, validating the design goal of a 3.5% fuel burn improvement. The MD-80 Phase I Kit contains components designed by Super98 including several with Boeing Service Bulletin origins for which Super98 is licensed Part Manufacturing Authority (PMA).

The Phase I Drag Reduction Kit is now being offered to global MD-80 operators in three sub-kits to facilitate efficient overnight installation. An STC for the Drag Reduction Kit is scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Q, 2011 with Kit deliveries beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> Q, 2011.

Please contact James Hesselgesser @ Super98 Offices 562-216-5156 to learn more about the MD-80 Phase I Drag Reduction Kit.

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