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MONTAIR AVIATION EXPANDS TRAINING OPERATIONS TO RED DEER AIRPORT

Pitt Meadows – January 13, 2016 – Montair Aviation is pleased to announce today that following a review of several airports in Western Canada it has selected Red Deer Airport to expand training facilities and operations. Red Deer will be Montair’s second training location in Western Canada, to supplement its existing location and head office already in Pitt Meadows, BC.

In Phase I of the company’s expansion plans, 8 aircraft will be located at Red Deer Airport, growing to 15+ aircraft within 2 – 3 years. Montair will initially train 60-100 full-time airline cadets annually while employing 20 – 30 full time staff including several management positions. In addition, Montair will lease a full military barrack building and commercial kitchen in the Harvard Business Park which has been left underutilized since the departure of the DND Cadet program from Central Alberta in 2014.

Montair Aviation’s Chief Operating Officer, Ian Kennedy says “Red Deer plays a significant role in the future plans for our company and our ability to serve the growing list of international customers that are looking to work with us. Montair has grown to the size where a second location just makes sense and we are pleased to be working with Red Deer Airport on this initiative. We know it will have a positive impact on both Montair, the airport and the local region”.

With Montair planning to begin operations at the Airport in May 2016, a taxiway will be provided to connect the academy’s hangar and apron to the airfield. This taxiway will facilitate the movement of aircraft from the private hangar and apron to the existing taxiways and runway system and will enable the airport to accommodate the significant increase in aviation activity expected in the short term. The taxiway is expected to be fully operational by May 2016.

“This is exciting news. Montair will attract more people and more business to Central Alberta” says RJ Steenstra, CEO Red Deer Airport. “Along with the international profile for the airport, city and region, Montair will create jobs and help diversify our regional and provincial economy.”

For more information about Montair Aviation, please visit their website at www.montair.com or call 1-604-465-8825.

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About Montair Aviation

Montair Aviation has been teaching aspiring pilots from around the world since 1995. The company was established with the goal of training both future professional and pleasure pilots to a skill and knowledge level well beyond the average flight school.

Montair is one of only a select number of flight schools around the world to receive approval from the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) to train future Chinese airline pilots, in addition to authorization from Transport Canada to deliver Integrated ATPL courses; the highest level of professional pilot training course available in Canada.

The company has trained and graduated hundreds of current airline pilots, from dozens of countries. Montair is continuing to expand and strengthen, allowing it to excel at educating competent and effective pilots to fill the needs of an expanding global aviation community.

About Red Deer Airport

The Red Deer Airport (YQF) is a vital transportation link for Central Alberta, offering scheduled passenger service and charter services. YQF is operated by The Red Deer Regional Airport Authority, a not-for-profit, non-share Capital Corporation incorporated under the Alberta Regional Airports Authorities Act. Since 1992, it has been responsible for the management, maintenance and development of Red Deer Airport.