CESSNA SKYCOURIER EXPANDS GLOBAL REACH WITH TWO AIRCRAFT ORDER FROM AIR MARSHALL ISLANDS

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Textron Aviation announced a two-aircraft purchase agreement with AIR Marshall Islands Inc. (AMI) for its twin-engine, large-utility turboprop, the Cessna SkyCourier. The two aircraft – both passenger variants - will be used to support travel throughout the communities within the Marshall Islands. AIR Marshall Islands is a commercially operated airline owned by the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI). It is based in Majuro, the capital city of the country, which is located in the South Pacific.

Lannie O'Bannion, senior vice president, Global Sales and Flight Operations, Textron Aviation commented: "The Cessna SkyCourier is an excellent choice to support the mission of AIR Marshall Islands. With its low operating costs and maximum cabin flexibility, the SkyCourier is a real game-changer in regional connectivity. This order is an excellent example of the SkyCourier's unmatched capabilities for a variety of mission profiles, and also highlights Textron Aviation's commitment to delivering innovative solutions to meet the evolving needs of the aviation industry."

Captain Albon Jelke, general manager & CEO of AIR Marshall Islands said: "AIR Marshall Islands

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is thrilled to add the Cessna SkyCourier to our fleet. This exciting development is a major milestone in our efforts to modernize our aircraft, allowing us to provide more reliable and efficient flights across the Marshall Islands. Our new SkyCouriers are perfectly designed to reach the remote atolls and islands, ensuring that essential air services are accessible to both our local communities and visitors."

The Cessna SkyCourier is meticulously designed to deliver unparalleled performance, unwavering reliability and cost-effective maintenance. With the ability to be operated by a single pilot and a generous payload capacity, the SkyCourier is the ultimate solution for air freight, passenger and special mission needs. The aircraft is highly adaptable and can effortlessly adjust configurations to effectively complete any mission, ensuring a significant return on investment.

Cessna SkyCourier twin-engine, high-wing turboprop offers a combination of performance and lower operating costs for air freight, commuter and special mission operators. It's available in both freighter and passenger variants, as well with a Combi configuration or gravel kit for maximum flexibility. The freighter variant is sized to handle up to three LD3 shipping containers with an impressive 6,000 pounds of payload capability. The 19-passenger variant includes crew and passenger doors for smooth boarding, as well as large cabin windows for natural light and views. Both configurations offer single-point pressure refueling to enable faster turnarounds.

The SkyCourier is powered by two wing-mounted Pratt & Whitney Canada PT6A-65SC turboprop engines and features the McCauley Propeller C779, a heavy-duty and reliable 110-inch aluminum four-blade propeller, which is full feathering with reversible pitch, designed to enhance the performance of the aircraft while hauling tremendous loads. The SkyCourier is operated with Garmin G1000 NXi avionics and has a maximum cruise speed of more than 200 ktas and a 900 nautical-mile maximum range.

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