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**PILATUS DELIVERS 1400TH PC-12 AND ACHIEVES MAJOR FLIGHT TIME MILESTONE**

**Pilatus Aircraft Ltd has delivered its 1,400th PC-12 and achieved a significant flight time milestone for the NG fleet. Just over a year since celebrating the delivery of its 1,300th PC-12, Pilatus marked the delivery of the 1,400th aircraft. The new 2016 PC-12 NG, serial number 1612, was delivered to a customer in the southwestern United States.**

An additional milestone was achieved by the fleet of 630 PC-12 NG (Next Generation) models, the latest version of the PC-12, which surpassed the 1 million flight hour mark since its introduction in 2008. The worldwide fleet of all PC-12 aircraft has accumulated more than 5.6 million total flight hours since certification.

Debuting at last year's National Business Aviation Association conference and exhibition, the 2016 model PC-12 NG incorporates a number of significant enhancements, including a 5-blade composite propeller, aerodynamic drag reduction features, a 285 knot cruise speed, avionics feature upgrades, and new interior and exterior design choices.

"This is an exciting milestone for everyone at Pilatus, our customers, and our global sales and service network," said Ignaz Gretener, Vice President of Pilatus' General Aviation business unit.

"While much attention has recently been focused on the exciting new PC-24 Super Versatile Jet, the PC-12 is still the backbone of our general aviation business. We continue to invest in the PC-12 NG, and in our global support network, to ensure it remains the best-selling turbine-powered business aircraft, backed by outstanding customer service."

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