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CAE announces industry's 1st FAA-approved web-based Virtual Ground School for business aircraft pilot recurrent training

- Self-paced e-Learning of required course material anywhere anytime, enabling more flexible training scheduling and saving on travel cost

Las Vegas, USA, October 10, 2011 – (NYSE: CAE; TSX: CAE) – CAE today announced at the National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA) annual convention that it is further expanding customer training options and flexibility with a new program that enables business aircraft pilots to study required recurrent training courseware anywhere they have an internet connection. The CAE Simfinity™ Virtual Ground School features regulator-approved web-based study of the same systems and procedures course material they would cover in an instructor-led classroom.

The first CAE Virtual Ground School program, a recurrent training module for the Gulfstream 550 aircraft, is now available for training. It is the first web-based regulated recurrent training program for business aircraft pilots to receive approval from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Courses are in development for other training programs for Bombardier, Cessna, Dassault, Embraer, Gulfstream and Hawker Beechcraft aircraft types.

"The convenience of web delivery of regulated recurrent training is a game-changer for business aviation pilots and operators. It leverages technology to provide more training value and pilot productivity for less operator investment by offering greater flexibility in pilot scheduling, reducing travel days, and enabling continuous training throughout the year," said Jeff Roberts, CAE's Group President, Civil Simulation Products, Training and Services. "This newest innovation further demonstrates CAE leadership in delivering the highest-quality, operationally focused training in an efficient and effective manner."

The CAE Simfinity Virtual Ground School course will be available to the pilot in advance of their scheduled training centre sessions. Pilots have the option of studying the e-Learning modules at their own learning pace, tailored to their personal schedule. E-Learning progress can be monitored through the CAE learning management system (LMS).

When enrolling for recurrent training at CAE, pilots may choose web-based or instructor-led ground school, or both, for the same training program cost. Pilots will complete their recurrent training with the required simulator scenarios and check ride at the CAE training centre. E-learning material for the course will also be available to the pilot online for the following year.

CAE pioneered web-based training for aviation professionals and has more than 4,000 active users among civil and military aviation professionals. By early next year, CAE will offer about 5,000 hours of online courses, including general operating subjects, basic aviation studies, aircraft type-specific and maintenance training courses.

CAE is a global leader in modeling, simulation and training for civil aviation and defense. The company employs more than 7,500 people at more than 100 sites and training locations in more than 20 countries. Through CAE's global network of 33 civil aviation, military and helicopter training centres, the company trains more than 80,000 crewmembers yearly. CAE's business is diversified, ranging from the sale of simulation products to providing comprehensive services such as training and aviation services, professional services and in-service support. The company aims to apply its simulation expertise and operational experience to help customers enhance safety, improve efficiency, maintain readiness and solve challenging problems. CAE is now leveraging its simulation capabilities in new markets such as healthcare and mining. www.cae.com

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