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## FLIGHT SAFETY SEMINAR ATTRACTS INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS

Local aviation auditing company Flight Safety Pty Ltd, specialising in aviation safety external audits and risk assessment, will be holding its inaugural 'Flight Safety Seminar' next week.

Conducted at the Hyatt Regency Coolom, the event combines Helideck Certification Agency (HCA) certification and specific Flight Safety training for all personnel.

Renowned international speakers John Monaghan (HCA) and Don Power (Neuro Linguistic Programmer) together with Flight Safety staff from across the country will come together for 4 days to share their knowledge and expertise.

Flight Safety Pty Ltd in liaison with the International Helideck Certification Agency is co-operating to enhance Helideck audit procedures and processes in the Australasian and surrounding geographical areas.

According to Colin Weir, Managing Director of Flight Safety Pty Ltd, this opportunity is a huge commendation for the company.

"This achievement aligns Flight Safety Pty Ltd with the most advanced Helideck auditing procedures globally and is a major breakthrough for Helideck safety nationally", Mr Weir said.

The established aviation company has been highlighted in the media recently with its involvement as third party system investigators in the Garuda Airlines/Yogyakarta Airport 2007 fatal accident in Indonesia, where the audit process uncovered severe deficiencies and failures with investigating bodies.

With over 45 years' experience in the aviation industry, Mr Weir has been involved in numerous post accident aviation systems investigations where the process identified causal failures.

"The systems investigative process developed by Flight Safety Pty Ltd has been used as an effective tool in the accident prevention scenario nationally and internationally", adds Mr Weir.

Mr Weir was also recently featured in an ABC Foreign Correspondent story regarding aviation safety issues in Papua New Guinea.

"The previous 19 accidents that occurred in Papua New Guinea were not investigated and this omission on the part of an International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) member state was the focus of this report", Mr Weir said.

Expansion and implemented quality assurance procedures have seen the company gain Lloyd's Register International/AS/NZS ISO 9001:2000 certification, the first aviation auditing company in Australia to achieve such an accolade.

As Lloyd's Register is an international aviation ISO 9001:2000 certification body, this achievement is a critical, integral component of the Flight Safety Pty Ltd aviation safety oversight responsibility.

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