City Bird S.A. Takes Delivery Of Belgium's First Boeing 737-800

City Bird S.A. today took delivery of its first Boeing Next Generation 737-800, making it the first Belgian carrier to operate the most technologically-advanced airplane in its class.

Created in 1996 with a bold and ambitious mission to provide affordable and quality flights all over the world, City Bird S.A. is rapidly expanding its fleet and route network. The carrier will use its latest addition to fortify its collaboration with charter partner Neckermann, Sunsnacks, Pegase (C&N) and enhance its short- to medium-range flights in Europe.

"The 737-800 is a perfect match for City Bird Airlines," said Toby Bright, vice president of European Sales - Boeing Commercial Airplanes. "The 737 family is the most innovative single-aisle airplane with the lowest operating cost in its class. These factors will greatly contribute to City Bird's profitability and strengthen its presence among leading European charter carriers."

The 737-800, which can fly up to 2,905 nautical miles (5,380 kilometers) in a one-class configuration, features an all-new, spacious Boeing 777-style interior. It has the most advanced-design technology in the single-aisle market, such as an all-new wing and updated liquid-crystal displays in the flight deck.

Building a quieter, more fuel-efficient airplane was a top priority for Boeing engineers designing the Next-Generation 737 family. The new, advanced-technology wing design on the models helps improve fuel efficiency. The model's new CFM56-7 engines produced by CFMI, a joint venture of General Electric Co. of the United States and Snecma of France, meet community noise restrictions well below current Stage 3 limits and below expected Stage 4 limits. Emissions also are reduced beyond required standards.

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