American Trans Air Receives First Boeing 737-800 With Performance Enhancing Winglets

The Boeing Company has delivered a Boeing Next-Generation 737-800 with advanced-technology, blended winglets to American Trans Air, Inc. (ATA), making the airline the first in North America to operate the 737-800 equipped with the performance enhancing winglets.

Advanced-technology blended winglets provide the potential to improve takeoff performance and obstacle clearance, in addition to improved fuel mileage.

The airline has a total of 39 Boeing 737-800s with winglets on order. The airplanes are scheduled to be delivered between now and April 2003. American Trans Air will lease 14 of the 39 737-800 airplanes on order from International Lease Finance Corp. (ILFC).

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