Boeing Places Six Additional Next-Generation 737s with Aeromexico

Boeing [NYSE: BA] today announced Aeromexico, Mexico's largest airline, ordered six Next-Generation 737s as part of the airline's continuing fleet modernization program. The airline ordered three 737-700s and three 737-800s. Scheduled for delivery in 2007, the airplanes are worth approximately $372 million at list prices. It is the first order booked by Boeing in 2006.

"With this order, Aeromexico continues its forward-looking fleet development with the fuel efficient, reliable Next-Generation 737," said John Wojick, vice president of Sales - Latin America and the Caribbean, Boeing Commercial Airplanes.

"Since they were introduced to our fleet in 2003, the Boeing 737-700 has proved to be an exceptional airplane and with the acquisition of the 737-800 in 2006, we will continue our fleet renovation program with great success," said Francisco Cuevas, Aeromexico's chief financial officer.

Aeromexico is scheduled to take delivery of eight Next-Generation 737s this year. When the airline receives its first 737-800 in September 2006, Aeromexico will become the first Mexican airline to operate this Boeing model. Aeromexico also will become the first Mexican airline to operate the 777-200ER when it takes delivery of two of these airplanes in the first half of 2006.

All six airplanes announced today will feature Blended Winglets - eight-foot-long wing tip extensions that reduce fuel consumption by approximately 4 percent and increase the aircraft's range. The winglets improve the airplane's performance at hot, high altitude airports like Mexico City, and help reduce engine maintenance costs by reducing engine wear. They also contribute to the airplane's excellent noise performance by lowering the engine thrust required at takeoff.

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