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SEATTLE, Dec. 20, 2010 /[PRNewswire](#)/ -- Boeing (NYSE: BA) delivered a Next-Generation 737-800 to Air Austral, as part of the airline's modernization plan for its medium-haul fleet. The airplane is the first of two the airline ordered to replace one 737-300 and one 737-500 in its fleet. The new airplane continues the Boeing-Air Austral relationship that began 20 years ago with the 737 Classic. The delivery ceremony was attended by Gerard Etheve, president of the directory and chief executive officer of Air Austral. The airline is headquartered in St. Denis, Reunion, a French Department island located east of Madagascar in the Indian Ocean.

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