

Press Release

Ancra Receives STC for ATR72 Containerized CLS

AZUSA, CA./ Allschwil CH -- April 3rd, 2014 -- Ancra International LLC announced today that it has received FAA and EASA Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) for a main deck containerized cargo loading system for ATR72-201/202 series aircraft. The system facilitates the transitioning of containers and palletized cargo in /out of the aircraft using a floor mounted roller system with all guides and locks necessary for the restraint of up to seven (7) LD3 containers or five (5) 88"x108" containers/pallets. The system was developed and qualified under contract with FARNAIR Switzerland AG who has taken ownership of two Ancra ATR72 systems. A third system is currently on order for delivery to another aircraft operator in South Africa.

"Ancra is excited to see the development of an ATR72 CLS finally come to fruition. Most ATR operators hand load bulk cargo in their aircraft. The presence of a system that already is certified means that -72 cargo aircraft operators are able to cost effectively improve their loading / unloading efficiencies and feeder aircraft support to integrators in no time at all." says Victor Bassly, General Manager of Ancra Aircraft Division. Ancra also holds STC for the ATR42-300/320 series aircraft.

About Ancra International

Ancra International was founded in 1969 to serve the cargo handling industry with a complete line of cargo restraint and conveyance equipment for the air, truck, rail and marine markets. Since its inception, Ancra International's Aircraft Systems Division has evolved into an international leader in the design, development and manufacture of lightweight on-board cargo handling and restraint systems and components for fixed and rotary-wing commercial and military aircraft. Supporting both wide and narrow-body aircraft needs, Ancra's products include powered and mechanical systems and components that can be found today on more than twenty (20) different aircraft types, ranging from the B747-400 (freighter, combi and passenger), MD-11F, DC-10F, A300-600F/SF, A330-200F and B767-200F/-300SF, through the B757-200F, B737-300/-400/C/QC, C-40A, Tu-204, and B727F, to the Bae146QT and QC and the CASA CN235. Cargo Handling System (CHS) designs include full-freighter, combi; convertible, quick-change and passenger lower lobe configurations and supplied as original, retrofit, and conversion equipment.

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For 30 years FARNAIR has been at the forefront in the field of European express air cargo transport and logistics. Headquartered in Allschwil, in close proximity to Basel EuroAirport, the FARNAIR team with expertise in various domains, meticulously caters to the client needs. Its primary freighter activities include operating network feeder services for integrator and third party logistics industries. These operations are well complemented by ad-hoc charters for manufacturers and freight forwarders, where immediate launch is often required. FARNAIR's passenger activities include supplying aircraft to governmental and relief agencies, ACMI services for regional airlines and charter flights for the events industry. With a fleet of over 20 aircraft and a variety of different layouts and loading systems FARNAIR today operates in Europe, West Africa, the Middle East, India, Asia and Oceania. The portfolio of the FARNAIR Group also includes a full array of complementing, value-adding service options such as Crew Training, Ground Logistics and Cargo Handling as well as Aircraft Trading&Leasing.

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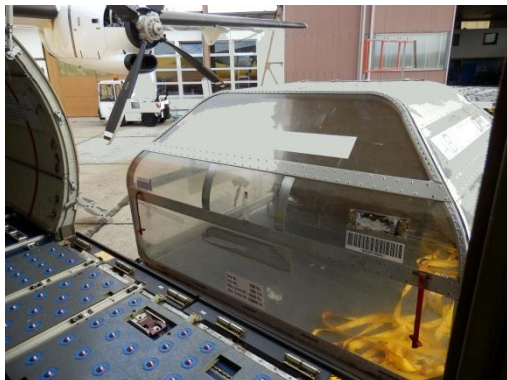
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Shippers can realize savings and minimize cargo loss by containerizing their air cargo shipments. The system speeds loading and unloading of aircraft by reducing the number of individual pieces of cargo that must be handled while minimizing exposure of cargo to weather, theft, pilferage and handling damage. (all pictures available for download)