FltPlan Now Offers Weight & Balance Program For Over 400 Aircraft Makes and Models

SOUTHBURY, CT December 2, 2013 -- FltPlan is now offering its free Weight & Balance program via its website and mobil apps for over 400 various makes and models of aircraft now in its database. Since the program was launched 18 months ago, pilots have created 38,000 unique, customized aircraft Weight & Balance profiles.

"The program has proven immensely popular for the substantial benefits it offers as evidenced by the sharp increase in the number of different aircraft makes and models we've added to our database in the last eight months," said Ken Wilson, president of FltPlan.com, the internet-based source of flight planning tools with 135,000 active user accounts. "Since March we've added 165 new aircraft makes and models ranging from a Cessna C150 to a Gulfstream 280."

Wilson claims the program is becoming the industry standard because of its ease of use and what he calls its cross-pilot and cross-platform format in that it works on the web, iPad, Android and Blackberry. "The program saves time, money, energy and it's accurate," he said. There is a less of a chance for pilot error inputting the data because FltPlan is building the envelope and entering the data."

He said the program is particularly popular with pilots who may fly a Gulfstream during the week for work and a Cherokee 140 on weekends for pleasure since the Weight & Balance setup is exactly the same for both aircraft.

"Flight departments tell us they like the program because it is possible to quickly transfer a Weight & Balance profile from one FltPlan account to another," he said. "That means one pilot can set up the Weight & Balance profile and share it with other airmen in the flight department. Everyone in the flight department is using the same numbers." Wilson claims FltPlan is the first company to offer this feature.
Philippe Brasseur of Ottawa-based ExpressAir said he initially thought having its Pilatus PC-12, Cessna C650 and an amphibious C208 added to the FltPlan Weight & Balance database would present a challenge. "How could we have them all added to the database, not only in the standard seating configuration, but also for combi aircraft and medevac as well?" "The reply was practically instantaneous and, better yet, simple," he said. "It was written in a way that meant anyone within our company could provide the required information. Within hours we were able to begin testing and finalize the transition to FltPlan.

"The flight planning and quick info tools allow our dispatch team to respond to client inquiries faster than ever before. The iPad integration gives us the ability to efficiently complete accurate flight planning and Weight & Balance calculations from virtually anywhere. FltPlan provides the tools to effectively do more with less."

FltPlan's program is available on the full website, on the Android app, or on the iPad apps. The Android and iPad apps' Weight & Balance features integrate with a users online information. An aircraft's Weight & Balance data can be imported directly to an app, with no need to re-enter the aircraft parameters. The data can be used offline when no internet is available. Last minute calculations can be made on the ramp, or while en-route and planning a next fuel stop, according to the company.

FltPlan.com supports pilots with services ranging from flight plan filing, FBO/airport information, flight tracking, certified eAPIS submissions, SMS (IS-BAO and ACSF), runway analysis, Weight & Balance, eLogbook program, Mexican/Caribbean/Central America handling, Mexican and Cuban overflight services, pre-departure clearances, FAA-approved certified weather, and participation in the FAA's CDM program.

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