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Martin E. Dandridge Joins Aurora Flight Sciences Board of Directors

MANASSAS, VA, February 12, 2007 – Aurora Flight Sciences Corporation, a leader in the design and production of specialized unmanned aircraft, announced today that aerospace industry veteran Martin E. Dandridge has become the newest member of the company's Board of Directors.

Dandridge, who retired as sector executive vice president Northrop Grumman Integrated Systems late last year, has nearly four decades of management experience in the defense industry. Aurora Flight Sciences is a major supplier to Northrop Grumman on the Global Hawk, manufacturing almost one-third of the composite structures for the aircraft in Bridgeport, WV.

"Aerostructures is an important part of Aurora's business," said Aurora Flight Sciences President and CEO John Langford. "Marty Dandridge is one of the world's acknowledged leaders in building complex aerostructures on time and under budget. His involvement with Aurora will help ensure we stay on track as we take on new and larger programs."

Dandridge earned a Bachelor of Science degree from C.W. Post College of the Long Island University system after U.S. Navy service. He joined Grumman in 1968 as an Engineering Systems Instructor, training the Apollo program astronauts on the Lunar Module. During the late 70's after directing E-2C Program's business management functions he was promoted to deputy director for the E-2/C-2 Programs' operations. In 1980 he was principal in the start up of Grumman St. Augustine Corporation, in 1985 the Grumman Corporation Board of Directors elected him vice president. In 1986 he attended MIT's Sloan Program for senior executives and subsequently joined Grumman Melbourne Systems as vice president of programs, forming the Joint Surveillance Target Attack System (Joint STARS) management and technical team, directing the full-scale development program. He was promoted to senior vice president in 1990.

From 1991 until he was appointed president of the former Grumman Melbourne Systems Division, Dandridge was responsible for Melbourne operations. He later served as vice president for the sector's Airborne Ground Surveillance and Battle Management Systems business area---most of which were associated with the Joint STARS program. Dandridge served as executive vice president for Northrop Grumman Integrated Systems until his retirement on December 31, 2006.

About Aurora Flight Sciences

Aurora Flight Sciences is a leader in unmanned aerial systems technology for defense and homeland security applications. For nearly two decades, Aurora Flight Sciences has pushed the limits of unmanned flight through the design and manufacture of innovative aircraft, while also manufacturing composite and metal aerostructures for both manned and unmanned aircraft. Learn more about Aurora Flight Sciences by visiting the company's website at www.aurora.aero.

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