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AEROS APPLAUDS FORMATION OF CARGO AIRSHIP CAUCUS IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON D.C. (March 06, 2015) – Aeroscraft Corporation (Aeros), a lighter-than-air (LTA) aircraft manufacturer and developer of the Aeroscraft buoyancy-controlled cargo air vehicle, applauds the creation of a new Congressional Caucus dedicated to highlighting the capabilities of modern airships to revolutionize the future of heavy airlift.



A new Congressional bi-partisan **Cargo Airship Caucus** was established in the House of Representatives yesterday, **Co-Chaired** by **Rep. Tom Rooney (R-FL)** and **Rep. Brad Sherman (D-CA)**. The Congressional Caucus will work to hasten the takeoff of the cargo airship industry in the U.S., an infrastructure independent mode of transportation, in support of military, economic, national security, diplomatic and environmental objectives. Both Co-Chairmen explained their motivations for leading this initiative when announcing the caucus yesterday, stating:

“Modern cargo airships have nearly three times the fuel efficiency as air transport alternatives, and can land in very remote locations,” said **Congressman Brad Sherman**. *“They have enormous potential to enable economic development opportunities and accelerate export logistics, expand U.S. capabilities in disaster relief response, and drive greenhouse gas reductions in aviation.”*

“The recent advances in airship technology are exciting, and the Caucus will help illustrate the breadth of benefits enabled by cargo airships’ efficient and infrastructure independent operations, including benefits to military operational tempo and mission flexibility, enhanced delivery capability, and operational cost savings,” said **Congressman Tom Rooney**.

Members of the Cargo Airship Caucus will collaborate to accelerate deployment of modern airships capable of efficiently delivering hundreds of tons of large equipment, vehicles, containers, or other cargo virtually anywhere. For the military, this new generation of airships has the potential to revolutionize the future of intra-theater airlift, greatly increasing heavy cargo lift capability, reducing the logistics footprint in theater, reducing dependence on foreign airbases and ports, reducing the effectiveness of anti-access strategies employed by adversaries, and radically changing the hub and spoke logistics structure to one of point-to-point delivery. The cargo airship’s introduction to global logistics is expected to reduce operational constraints on future heavy-lift, radically reduce energy use for aircraft operations on a ton/mile basis, permit high-payload operations directly into austere locations with little infrastructure, increase delivery speed for cargo shipped by boat, and reduce the need for intermodal transport to move cargo from origin to point-of-need, with corresponding reductions in delivery time.

“Aeros applauds the Cargo Airship Caucus’ creation, the expanding Congressional support for harnessing the benefits of a new flexible and cost-efficient transport modality, and support for our emergent sector in the global logistics industry,” said **Igor Pasternak**, CEO at Aeros. *“Aeros looks forward to collaborating with other industry partners toward the quick and safe deployment of cargo airship solutions for enhanced capability in global air mobility, military logistics, disaster relief response and environmental stewardship.”*

About Aeros: Founded more than 25 years ago, the Aeroscraft Corporation (Aeros) is the world’s most innovative lighter-than-air, FAA-certified aircraft manufacturing company. Aeros has achieved multiple FAA airship type certificates and operates with an FAA Production Certificate, while featuring a product line that includes advanced airships, tethered aerostats and the Aeroscraft cargo airship. Learn more at www.aeroscraft.com

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