



## **KELLSTROM DEFENSE APPOINTS RICHARD POTTS AS DIRECTOR OF NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FOR SOUTH PACIFIC REGION**

EL SEGUNDO, CA, October 17, 2017 – Kellstrom Defense Aerospace, Inc. (“KDA”) is pleased to announce the appointment of Richard Potts as Director of Business Development for the South Pacific. Mr. Potts will assume overall accountability for driving customer relationships and establishing new business development for the South Pacific region. He will also lead efforts for all agreements, filings, and proceedings involving customer, supplier, partner, and other contractual relationships. His territory will be Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, as well as supporting business development efforts in Asia. He will report directly to Stuart Reid, EVP of Sales and Marketing, and will be based in Jakarta, Indonesia.

In announcing the appointment, Stuart Reid comments “KDA is committed to hiring knowledgeable and respected individuals in region to support our customers and Richard fits that mold. As we continue to grow our global footprint, high caliber talent like Richard, based around the global operating community will be essential to our success”.

Mr. Potts previously served as COO with Indonesian Defence Services, where he predominately established appropriate corporate governance, and aircraft maintenance policies and procedures to meet the requirements of military and civil airworthiness bodies. Prior to this, he was with Qantas Defence Services as the National Manager for Business Development and Strategic Planning, responsible for developing growth strategies across all QDS programs. Prior to this role, he was the Business Unit and Program Manager for the C130H Business Unit, responsible for the execution, sustainment, and growth of Qantas Defence Services C130 WSBU Program. Mr. Potts also served as a maintenance technician with the Royal Australian Air Force, where he was responsible for the operational support and maintenance of many aircraft, serving both in Australia and overseas.

Mr. Potts is a post graduate of the Australian Graduate School of Management and holds an Associate Diploma in Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and a Diploma in Project Management.

### **About Kellstrom Defense Aerospace, Inc.:**

Kellstrom Defense Aerospace, Inc. (“KDA”) is a global provider for the sustainment of legacy defense aircraft through OEM sanctioned distribution, component MRO, and engineering and manufacturing solutions for the C-130, F-16, F-5/T-38, F-18, P-3, Boeing 707 defense derivative aircraft, and multiple rotary-wing platforms. With operations in Camarillo, CA; Miramar, FL; Macon, GA; Cambridge, UK; Windsor, AU; and Singapore, the KDA team provides support to the United States military and over 60 partnering nations. KDA is committed to compliance, with hundreds of active export licenses and dedicated contract, export, and security personnel. The

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#### **About Kellstrom Repair Services:**

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