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Antoine Deux Named Young Engineer of the Year by AIAA NCS

Manassas, VA June 8, 2007 – Aurora Flight Sciences Corporation announced today that systems engineer Antoine Deux has been recognized with the Hal Andrews Young Engineer/Scientist Award at the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Annual Honor and Awards Banquet. This is the premier award granted by the AIAA National Capital Section for scientists and engineers under the age of 35 who have made substantial contributions in their field of expertise.

Mr Deux joined Aurora Flight Sciences Corporation shortly after having completed his studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, at the École Nationale Supérieure de Techniques Avancées (ENSTA), and at the École Polytechnique in France.

As the chief engineer on the GoldenEye 50 project, Mr. Deux led the multidisciplinary engineering team responsible for the structural design, aerodynamic design, wind tunnel testing, propulsion system design and integration including acoustics, payload integration, avionics integration, flight controls design, and performance modeling. Under Mr Deux' leadership the GoldenEye 50 program fabricated several prototypes, and logged over 160 flights. GoldenEye 50 is the smallest and pathfinder vehicle for Aurora's unique line of vertical take off and landing, ducted fan unmanned aircraft. Mr. Deux was also instrumental in the company recently receiving an Experimental Airworthiness Certificate from the Federal Aviation Administration for the GoldenEye 50 system.

Mr. Deux becomes the third Aurora Flight Sciences employee to win this award. Aurora's founder and CEO, Dr. John S. Langford, won the award in 1989 and Aurora's chief technology officer, Tom Clancy, won it in 1994.

About Aurora Flight Sciences

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