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COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS

Announces the award of a contract from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to build ZENO[®]-based WEATHER MONITORING EQUIPMENT for “Level-C” airports

Seattle, WA: Level “C” airports are a federal classification big enough to have resident air traffic controllers, but not a resident meteorologist. There are over 250 of them in the United States, and Coastal Environmental Systems is pleased to announce its award of a nine million dollar contract from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to build weather monitoring systems for all of them.

The system, referred to by the FAA by the acronym SAWS (Stand Alone Weather Station), will provide more accurate knowledge of weather more quickly and reliably; enhancing this most vital tool of the Air Traffic Controller’s trade. SAWS systems will begin to be put in place across America beginning this fall.

The FAA’s award was based on the *features* and *quality* of Coastal’s equipment - *not price*; affirming that the ZENO[®]-3200, the company’s lead product in it’s ZENO[®] line of Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) remote environmental monitoring systems, has the technical acumen for this and many other jobs. Key SAWS requirements are fulfilled largely by ZENOSOFT™ embedded firmware, which features, as a COTS product, the world’s first Universal Serial Interface (USI). Don Munro, Coastal’s CEO stated, “Using new technology to improve air traffic safety is particularly gratifying for all our employees. ZENO[®] makes quick work of the technically challenging task of bettering Air Traffic Controllers’ weather reporting for many U.S. airports and hundreds more like them across the globe, largely because we use commercial software (ZENOSOFT™) instead of highly expensive and risk-prone, custom software. We are most pleased that the FAA saw and acquired the ZENO[®] advantage.”

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