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Shearwater Air Receives IS-BAO Certification, Practicing Top International Standards

MONTEREY, CALIF. – Shearwater Air, a Monterey based jet charter and aircraft management company, is proud to announce receiving the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO) certification, created by the International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) to standardized safe and highly professional business aircraft operations world-wide.

IS-BAO was developed by the industry for the benefit of the industry. It is a code of best practices designed to help flight departments world-wide achieve a high level of safety and professionalism. To be IS-BAO certified, aircraft operations must go under extensive auditing programs to ensure their daily operations meet the international standards for safety, security and overall practices.

“Being IS-BAO certified is quickly becoming a broadly accepted industry standard world-wide, and at Shearwater Air, we want to be among the leaders in aviation.” said Dave Hamilton, Director of Operations for Shearwater. Just recently, Shearwater Air also received the ARG/US Platinum Rating, the highest level of safety and excellence award and recognition given in the aviation industry.

IS-BAO was formally introduced and made available to the business aviation community at the European Business Aviation Conference and Exhibit (EBACE) in Geneva, May 2002. The IS-BAO project began in 2000, took over two years, and three phases until completion. The three phases included proof of concept, development and testing within a number of flight departments in Europe, North America and South America.

The IS-BAO provides a framework of a comprehensive system that integrates safety, security, efficiency and effectiveness. The program is intended to build upon the excellent safety record already established by business aviation. Currently there are 478 IS-BAO registered operators in the United States.

For more information about Shearwater Air please visit <http://www.shearwaterair.com> or call 831.655.9990. For more information on the IS-BAO Program please visit http://www.ibac.org/is_bao.

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About Shearwater

Headquartered in Monterey, CA Shearwater Air is a privately-owned, independent company that provides aircraft management and maintenance and jet charter service worldwide. Shearwater Air is platinum certified by ARG/US and certified by the International Standard of Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO). Shearwater Air is named after the incredible seabirds that migrate thousands of miles each year and its luxurious, 9-seater Bombardier Challenger 300 aircraft can charter to over 5,400 U.S., Mexico and Caribbean airports. Shearwater Air offers multiple aircraft

management services, including helping individuals purchase a private plane; maintaining operations of its clients' aircraft; and chartering the aircraft for clients. Shearwater Air conducts both Part 91 (small, non-commercial aircraft) and Part 135 (commercial aircraft) operations and complies with strict Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements, assuring its policies and procedures meet the highest standard in operating practices and safety.