



TRJET TO TEAM WITH PRATT & WHITNEY CANADA ON NEW, IMPROVED PW306B ENGINES

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In the latest step forward in creating Turkey's first regional aircraft, **TRJet** announced an agreement on plans to use **Pratt & Whitney Canada** (P&WC) to upgrade and supply **PW306B engines** for TRJet aircraft. The memorandum of understanding involves Sierra Nevada Corporation's (SNC) German-based subsidiary 328 Support Services GmbH (328), the current type certificate holder and a major partner in TRJet's 328 aircraft production.

"The collaboration between TRJet and P&WC, a world-leader in the design, manufacture and service of aircraft engines, illustrates the proven technology and aviation expertise behind the 328 and 628 aircraft series," said Cem Ugur, an executive officer for TRJet.

Work on the PW306B for the TRJet 32-passenger 328 aircraft series will commence at P&WC's Longueuil, Quebec facility in 2016, kicking off a production schedule that will culminate in production and flight of the first TRJ328™ aircraft by 2019. During this time, work will also be underway on a turboprop engine for the T328 aircraft.

Design activities will be initiated in parallel for the new 628 aircraft series. This aircraft will be a clean sheet design, marking the Republic of Turkey's first domestically-designed passenger aircraft. The first flight of the 628 series is anticipated for 2023, in honor of Turkey's centennial.

The D328 is currently certified in 85 nations around the world and is in use in countries including

the U.S., Switzerland, Germany, U.K. and Denmark. The versatile and rugged 328 turboprop and jet, with its large cabin comfort, is credited within the industry as a valued, cost-effective performer.

Both SNC and P&WC believe that TRJet will meet a regional need and benefit the local economy. "Extensive market studies show that these aircraft are not only needed for Turkey's domestic market, but there are growing regional and international demands where the sub-50-seat market is underserved," said Dave Jackson, managing director of 328. SNC anticipates securing licensed production of such aircraft for sale in the U.S., including sales to the U.S. government.

"We are very proud to be a part of this program," said Richard Dussault, vice president of marketing for P&WC. "We look forward to collaborating with TRJet, SNC and 328 Support Services to launch this historic project which will have a positive impact on the country's economy and support its growing aviation industry."

Photo caption: Dave Jackson, Managing Director 328 Support Services GmbH (left) with Richard Dussault, VP-Marketing Pratt & Whitney Canada handshake on the MoU at ERA General Assembly in Berlin.

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