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Hampson to Supply Precision Tooling for Bombardier CSeries Aircraft Programme

Coast Composites Inc ("Coast"), a subsidiary of international aerospace and precision engineering group Hampson Industries PLC ("Hampson"), is pleased to have been selected by Bombardier Aerospace, Belfast, to manufacture the outer mould line tooling used to fabricate the composite wings for the new *CSeries* aircraft. Bombardier in Belfast is responsible for the development, design and manufacture of the advanced composite wings for the *CSeries* aircraft family.

Paul Walsh, Coast's President, commented: "Precision and dimensional stability on very large tools such as these are core competencies for Coast. We built the developmental wing tools as part of the technology demonstration phase of the *CSeries* aircraft wing programme and are pleased to be working with Bombardier again on this exciting and technologically demanding project."

Jerry Anthony, divisional chief executive, added: "Bombardier and Hampson have a longstanding relationship. We are delighted to consolidate that relationship through our support to the prestigious and important new *CSeries* aircraft programme."

Coast Composites now joins Bombardier's other US suppliers on the *CSeries* aircraft programme.

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About Hampson:

The Group's operations are structured into three business segments, serving primarily the global commercial and military aerospace and specialist engineering markets from manufacturing facilities in the UK, North America and India.

Approximately 95% of the Group's sales are derived from its aerospace activities, the balance from the market for automotive turbocharger components. Hampson are world leaders in the design and manufacture of close tolerance tooling and assembly systems for composite and metallic aero structures. The Group employs approximately 1,400 people worldwide.

Hampson Industries PLC is listed on the main market of the London Stock Exchange (Symbol: HAMP). For more information on Hampson: www.hampsongroup.com

About the Bombardier *CSeries* aircraft:

The Bombardier *CSeries* new commercial aircraft family is designed to offer unmatched operating economics, reliability, total life cycle cost improvement, significantly reduced environmental footprint, passenger comfort and operational flexibility to meet the future demands of the 100- to 149-seat market segment. Entry into service is targeted for 2013. For more information on the Bombardier *CSeries* aircraft: www.nowisthefuture.com