Ruili places $810 million LEAP-1B engine order

- Making CFM a part of its long-term operations

LE BOURGET — 16 June 2015 — New Chinese low-cost carrier Ruili Airlines today announced a $810 million U.S. order for 60 CFM LEAP-1B engines to power 30 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft.

Ruili, which began operations in early 2014, serves seven domestic routes in China with three Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft powered by CFM56-7B engines.

"Ruili has accomplished much in a very short time, and we are honored to be a part of this growing, dynamic team and look forward to a long relationship with them," said Jean-Paul Ebanga, president and CEO of CFM International. "They already understand the reliability of the CFM product family. The new LEAP-1B engines will bring them even more value through improved fuel efficiency, lower environmental impact, and the legendary reliability that has made CFM the industry leader."

The LEAP-1B engine promises to be the most advanced, reliable, fuel-efficient powerplant for the new generation single-aisle aircraft. The engine incorporates many industry firsts, including the 3-D woven carbon fiber composite fan blade and case; the one-of-a-kind debris rejection system; fourth-generation 3-D aerodynamics; the first commercial use of ceramic matrix composites (CMCs); the revolutionary combustor design featuring fuel nozzles grown using additive manufacturing; and light-weight Titanium Aluminide airfoils. The lower weight and higher durability these components provide will result in a 15 percent improvement in fuel efficiency, with an equivalent reduction in CO2 emissions; a 50 percent margin to new emissions regulations; a dramatically lower noise signature; CFM's industry-leading reliability and low overall operating costs.

About Ruili
Ruili Airlines, based at Kunming Changshui International Airport, provides domestic services to destinations in central and northern China. The airline, established in early 2014, is wholly-owned by Yunnan Jingcheng Group.

About CFM International
LEAP engines are a product of CFM International, a 50/50 joint company between Snecma (Safran) and GE and the world's leading supplier of commercial aircraft engines. Through May 31, 2015, the company had received orders and commitments for a total of 8,900 LEAP engines. For more information, visit us at www.cfmaeroengines.com or follow us on Twitter @CFM_engine
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The CFM56 and LEAP engines are products of CFM International, a 50/50 joint company between Snecma (Safran) and GE. CFM is the world’s leading supplier of commercial aircraft engines, with more than 27,200 delivered as of December 31, 2014 to more than 530 operators around the globe. The company CFM officially launched the LEAP engine, which is its first all-new centerline engine in nearly 40 years, in 2008.

The LEAP engine promises to bring double-digit improvements in fuel efficiency, emissions and noise, while the legendary reliability and low cost of ownership of its predecessor, the ubiquitous maintaining CFM56 engine family. The LEAP-1A is an engine as an option on the A320neo family; and the LEAP-1C engine is the sole Western powerplant for the COMAC C919; and the LEAP-1B is the sole powerplant for Boeing’s new 737 MAX. For more information, visit us at www.cfmaeroengines.com or follow us on Twitter @CFM_engines.