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Garmin's Synthetic Vision Technology is certified on the TBM 850

- **Enhanced situational awareness now available for DAHER-SOCATA's very fast turboprop**

Tarbes, France, April 1, 2009 – DAHER-SOCATA today announced the full certification of Garmin's Synthetic Vision Technology (SVT) for the all-glass cockpit of its TBM 850 single-engine aircraft.

The system provides enhanced situation awareness by presenting three-dimensional depictions of terrain, obstacles and traffic on the primary flight displays of the TBM 850's Garmin G1000 integrated flight deck. The SVT replicates what pilots would see outside the cockpit on a clear day, and its large format reduces workload while also fitting well into a normal cockpit scan.

This factory option has been certified by the U.S. FAA and European EASA airworthiness authorities, and is available for all new Model Year 2009 TBM 850s. Previously-delivered 2008 TBM 850s can be equipped with the SVT option by DAHER-SOCATA and through its distributor network, as defined in a system upgrade service bulletin for the Garmin G1000 cockpit.

"Synthetic Vision Technology is an incredible safety enhancement that improves situation awareness while reducing pilot workload," said Nicolas Chabbert, Senior Vice-President of DAHER-SOCATA's Airplane Division. "We are pleased to offer SVT to our customers, making the TBM 850 the most advanced aircraft in its category."

The TBM 850 is the world's fastest single engine turboprop, with a maximum cruise speed of 320 KTAS at 26,000 ft. (in ISA conditions). An 850-shp version of SOCATA's proven six-seat TBM 700 turboprop business aircraft, the TBM 850 combines the cruising speed and travel times typical of light jets with economical direct operating costs, while offering the range and excellent payload capacity of turboprop aircraft.

About DAHER-SOCATA

DAHER is a European integrated equipment and services supplier.

In addition to aerospace, DAHER specializes in three other sectors: nuclear, defense and industries. DAHER is developing in three fields of expertise: manufacturing, services and transport, which enable it to offer a comprehensive package.

DAHER-SOCATA is one of the world's leading general aviation manufacturers, with more than 17,000 aircraft built since its creation as Morane-Saulnier in 1911. Current products include the TBM 850 high-speed turboprop aircraft, aerostructures for Airbus civil airliners, the A400M military transporter, Dassault Falcon jets, Eurocopter helicopters and Embraer regional jets.

DAHER-SOCATA is expanding its customer service activities to support its growing fleet of TBMs and offer its light aviation expertise for aircraft below 19,000 lbs (8.6 metric tons) through avionics modernization, maintenance, repair and overall package offers.

Founded in 1863, DAHER is an exclusively family-run, independent international group, with more than 7,000 employees and 12 international installations (four in Western Europe, three in Eastern Europe, two in North America, two in Africa and one in Australia). DAHER will exceed a €930 million turnover in 2009.

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