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## MHI Canada Aerospace, Inc. Announces New President and CEO

### ***Mechanical Engineer and Current VP to continue accelerated growth of MHICA Programs***

Toronto, Canada –MHI Canada Aerospace, Inc., a recognized Tier 1 heavy aerostructures (Wing / Centerfuse) group company of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, announced today that Janet Wardle has been promoted to the position of President and Chief Executive Officer, effective immediately.



Ms Wardle has nearly 25 years' experience in aerospace, both Commercial and Defense. After graduating Queens University, with an Honours Degree in Mechanical Engineering, she joined an OEM in their Finance Department as an Industrial Engineer. She has held Senior Management roles in Change Management, Planning and Supply Chain, while simultaneously earning her MBA from the Rotman School of Business.

Her depth of industry knowledge and her proven ability to build high-performance teams will be key in growing MHICA's customer base. *"Janet is a very enthusiastic and passionate leader who shares my core values and I am confident that she has the experience, skills and ability to lead us to the next level of operational excellence,"* said Chairman Mike McCarthy. *"I'm excited to add that not only has Janet broken the glass ceiling at MHI Canada, but she becomes the first ever female president in any of the MHI Group Industry companies! A feat well earned. Congratulations, Janet."*

In addition to her promotion, Janet is appointed as a Board Director to the MHICA Board of Directors. Mr. Satoshi Sawaguchi, General Manager and Program Manager, Bombardier, who has been a longtime proponent and supporter of MHICA, also will become a Director on the Board. Janet and Sawaguchi-san will be joining existing Board Directors Hirose-san, Executive Vice President of Commercial Aviation Systems, Senior General Manager, Commercial Airplanes Division, and Head of Nagoya Aerospace Systems Work and Hisano-san, Senior Executive Vice President and General Manager, Washington Office, MHI America.

Prior to her promotion, Janet was Vice President and General Manager at MHICA overseeing manufacturing, process and industrial engineering, quality, sourcing, procurement and logistics. She was responsible for implementing a massive, rapid and successful transfer of our supply chain for the wing and fuselage major assemblies from MHI Japan to MHI Canada.

*"In the three years since joining MHI Canada, I have not only changed positions, I have grown as a leader. The team at MHICA has been remarkable. Together, we have on-boarded over 60 new suppliers, we have brought on 4 Major assembly packages, including Centerfuse and Centerwing box. We continue to look forward to a bright future as we prepare to occupy a second, new building in October. I am looking forward to working together with MHI Japan and MHI America to build a better and brighter future."*

## **About MHI Canada Aerospace, Inc.**

MHI Canada Aerospace, Inc. (MHICA), a group company of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, is a Tier 1 manufacturer of major aircraft structures and assemblies based in Mississauga, Ontario. MHICA's facilities include a state-of-the-art manufacture and assembly facility and a supply chain and logistics centre where more than 800 highly skilled employees are working on Bombardier's sector-leading Global 5000/6000 and Challenger 350 business aircrafts. MHICA's technicians build and join wing assemblies and fuselage centre sections, as well as perform systems and flight control assembly installations and testing.

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