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**Trans-Africa Airlift Support Contract (TASC) awarded to Erickson
in support of U.S. African Operations**

Erickson Incorporated (the “Company”), a leading global provider of aviation services, is pleased to announce that the United States Transportation Command has awarded it an indefinite-delivery/indefinite-quantity (IDIQ), fixed-price contract to provide air transportation services in support of the U.S. Africa Command Area of Responsibility (AOR), with operations commencing in April 2017. Erickson was also subsequently awarded the first task order from this IDIQ contract, providing airlift operations in support of Special Operations – Africa throughout the Central African Region, and operations will be funded through IDIQ allocated funds. Erickson has been performing airlift operations in the African Region in support of U.S. Department of Defense operations for the past four years; and the award of this contract is vital to providing critical airlift support in the region.

Erickson has been serving the defense sector and allied military organizations for 50 years and the company’s past and current performance in Africa was critical to the selection process. Currently, Erickson has operations in Entebbe, Obo and the Central African Republic.

“We are pleased to have been selected to provide these essential services to the United States Transportation Command and the United States African Command. These awards further demonstrate our commitment to provide critical airlift in support of the United States Department of Defense and its partner nations’ operations on the continent of Africa,” said Jeff Roberts, president and CEO of Erickson Incorporated.



About Erickson

Erickson is a leading global provider of aviation services and operates, maintains and manufactures utility aircraft to safely transport and place people and cargo around the world. The Company is self-reliant, multifaceted and operates in remote locations under challenging conditions specializing in Global Defense and Security, Manufacturing and MRO, and Civil Aviation Services (comprised of firefighting, HVAC, transmission line, construction, timber harvesting, oil and gas and specialty lift). With roots dating back to 1960, Erickson operates a fleet of approximately 69 aircraft, is headquartered in Portland, Oregon, USA, and operates in North America, South America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia Pacific, and Australia. For more information, please visit our website at www.ericksoninc.com.

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