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Lindbergh-Lycoming Grant Established Through New Partnership

MINNEAPOLIS, July 28, 2006 — The Lindbergh Foundation is proud to announce that as a result of a partnership with Lycoming Engines, a new named grant for the Lindbergh Grants program has been established. The Lindbergh-Lycoming Grant will be given to an individual whose research project will advance aviation technology and balance it with the care and protection of our environment. This partnership not only supports Lycoming's commitment to innovation and technological advancement, but also the ongoing mission of the Lindbergh Foundation.

“The Lindbergh Foundation has a very successful, innovative and highly prestigious grants program that has been in place for nearly 30 years,” said Erik Lindbergh, Vice Chairman of the Lindbergh Foundation and grandson of Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh. “Our rigorous grant selection process will ensure that the project bearing the Lindbergh-Lycoming name is the best example of research balancing aviation and the environment possible. We are grateful for Lycoming's partnership in this mission.”

Lindbergh Grants are made in amounts up to \$10,580, representing the cost of building the *Spirit of St. Louis* in 1927. “While the size of the grant may seem small, the effect is leveraged. Many important projects that started as grants have been developed around the world that have brought my grandparent's concept of balance to life,” said Lindbergh. “This Lindbergh-Lycoming grant in aviation will demonstrate creative solutions to environmental concerns within the aviation industry.”

“An important part of Lycoming's transformation is to re-establish our leadership role through innovation and technology in our products and services. Leadership requires a responsibility to meet the needs of our employees, customers, suppliers, shareholders, and our community. Innovation without regard to our environment is sub-optimal,” stated Ian Walsh, Lycoming Engines, vice president and general manager. “Our partnership with the Lindbergh Foundation is a natural alliance to better serve our customers, grow our industry, and serve our community and environment.”

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Lycoming Engines specializes in engineering, manufacture, service and support of piston aircraft engines. Headquartered in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, Lycoming piston engines power more than half of the world's general aviation fleet – both rotary-wing and fixed-wing. Lycoming Engines is a division of Avco Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Textron Inc. More information is available at www.lycoming.textron.com.

The Lindbergh Foundation is a public non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, based in Anoka, Minnesota, which strives to encourage and inspire present and future generations to work toward finding ways to improve the quality of all life through three major programs: Lindbergh research grants, the annual honorary Lindbergh Award, and a variety of educational programs, which are designed to bring life to, and engage others in, the Lindberghs' passion for a balance between technological advancements and environmental preservation.

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