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- First Leasing Company Customer for CSeries Aircraft -

30th March 2009 – Lease Corporation International (LCI) announced today that it has signed a firm agreement with Bombardier Aerospace for the purchase of three *CS100* and 17 *CS300* jetliners. LCI, which also took options on a further 20 *CSeries* aircraft, is a privately owned aircraft leasing company that owns and leases planes to major airlines.

Based on list prices, the firm order for 20 *CSeries* aircraft is valued at approximately \$1.44 billion U.S.

“This firm order for both *CS100* and *CS300* aircraft adds to the momentum we anticipated for *CSeries* aircraft following the initial firm order by Deutsche Lufthansa AG. Moreover, LCI’s purchase confirms the flexibility designed into this technologically advanced aircraft family as required by all our customers, but especially leasing companies.” said Gary R. Scott, President, Bombardier Commercial Aircraft. “We are grateful for LCI’s confidence in the *CSeries* aircraft and delighted to welcome them as the launch leasing company customer. We look forward to working with them on further development of the aircraft for its entry into service in 2013.”

“We are excited about the future of Bombardier’s *CSeries* jetliner family,” said LCI Chairman, Adam Tomazos. “Market studies carried out by ourselves and other organizations see a large worldwide demand for aircraft in the 100- to 149-seat category over the next two decades and the *CSeries* jetliner family is a perfect fit.”

The launch of the *CSeries* family of aircraft was announced at the Farnborough Air Show on July 13, 2008.

The 110-seat and 130-seat *CSeries* family of aircraft brings unmatched passenger comfort, performance, and operating economics, benefiting from the latest technological advancements, including: fourth-generation aerodynamics; increased use of composites and advanced aluminium alloy in structures; the very latest in system technologies, such as fly-by-wire, electric brakes, and a next-generation engine – the Pratt & Whitney PurePower™ PW1000G engine. PurePower™ represents a significant breakthrough in turbofan technology, especially on the environmental front where it will set new benchmarks from dramatically reduced fuel burn, noise, and emissions.

At time of entry into service in 2013, the *CSeries* family of aircraft will be the greenest single-aisle aircraft in its class. These game-changing aircraft will emit 20* per cent less CO₂ and 50* per cent less NO_x, fly four* times quieter, and deliver dramatic energy savings – 20* per cent fuel burn advantage as well as 15* per cent improved cash operating costs versus current in-production aircraft of similar size. The *CSeries* aircraft will set a new benchmark in the industry, consuming as little as two litres of fuel per passenger per 100 kilometres in its more dense seating layouts*.

The *CS100* and *CS300* aircraft models will share a new common centerline engine and have the same crew type rating, operating and maintenance procedures. Each of the aircraft models will also have operational flexibility to permit utilization on both short-haul and transcontinental routes.

In addition to Bombardier's fourth-generation transonic composite wing design, the company is also using its Reconfigurable Engineering Flight Simulator II (REFS II) to develop customized 'fly-by-wire' control laws specific to *C-Series* aircraft. This simulator is the first of many devices planned, as part of an extensive integrated test regime, to ensure the *C-Series* aircraft achieves consistently high levels of reliability when it enters service.

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About Lease Corporation International

Lease Corporation International (LCI) is a privately owned aircraft lessor founded in 2004. Since its inception LCI has acquired aircraft valued at over \$3.5 billion. Its customer list includes national flag carriers and major airlines such as Singapore Airlines, British Airways, Air France and Virgin Atlantic. The company's highly experienced management team works closely with airframe and engine manufacturers, and with major financial institutions to provide aircraft leasing solutions for airlines worldwide. Further information is available at www.lciaviation.com.

LCI is a member of the Libra Group.

About Bombardier

A world-leading manufacturer of innovative transportation solutions, from commercial aircraft and business jets to rail transportation equipment, systems and services, Bombardier Inc. is a global corporation headquartered in Canada. Its revenues for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, 2008, were \$17.5 billion US, and its shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange (BBD). Bombardier is listed as an index component to the Dow Jones Sustainability World and North America indexes. News and information are available at www.bombardier.com.

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*The *C-Series* aircraft is in the design phase. All data and specifications are estimates, subject to change in family strategy, branding, capacity, performance during the course of the design, manufacture and certification process. Performance has been estimated based on a 500-nm North American operating environment.

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Note to Editors

Images of LCI *CS100* and *CS300* aircraft are available in the press releases section at: www.aero.bombardier.com

For additional *C-Series* aircraft images, video and product information visit www.nowisthefuture.com

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