9110 Standard Revised; "Quality Management Systems – Requirements for Aviation Maintenance Organizations"

May 3, 2012 – The International Aerospace Quality Group (IAQG) has released a revision to the 9110 standard, "Quality Management Systems – Requirements for Aviation Maintenance Organizations".

This standard has been developed to benefit maintenance organizations that choose to adopt it, whether or not holders of a National Aviation Authority (NAA) repair station certificate. This standard is intended for use by maintenance organizations whose primary business is providing maintenance services for aviation commercial and military products; and for Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) organizations with maintenance operated autonomously or that are substantially different from their manufacturing/production operations.

The 9110 standard is based on ISO 9001:2008 and incorporates applicable requirements associated to the IAQG 9100:2009 standard; integrating requirements, definitions, and notes in response to stakeholder needs specific to the aviation maintenance industry.

This standard has been revised to address stakeholder needs through the addition of definitions and clarification of existing requirements to resolve interpretation issues, and incorporate editorial corrections. The primary driver for this revision was to address European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) feedback to assist in the recognition of the 9110 standard by NAAs. There has been significant engagement with EASA to apply 9110 certification within the framework of the Commission Regulation (EC) N. 2042/2003 [i.e., Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) to Part 145].

The IAQG Other Party Management Team (OPMT) is in the process of defining transition expectations for 9110:2012. This will include any impacts or changes to auditor training/authentication, Certification Body (CB) accreditation, and the 9101 standard Objective Evidence Record (OER). Upon completion, the transition plan will be reviewed and approved by the IAQG Executive Committee and communicated to all stakeholders via the OPMT resolution process. All OPMT resolutions are located in the "Help/Guidance" section of the IAQG Online Aerospace Supplier Information System (OASIS) database.

The 9110 standard can be obtained from national and regional standards publication bodies. The IAQG will provide and post on their website (www.iaqg.org) 9110 standard deployment support materials to accompany the release of the standard. This will include Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and a 9110 revision overview presentation.