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Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems to locate in Macon-Bibb County

Macon-Bibb County, GA – The Macon-Bibb County consolidated government and the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority (MBCIA) announces that Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems will bring large cabin aircraft operations to the Middle Georgia Regional Airport. The announcement took place during the pre-commission meeting Tuesday evening.

The company will be opening a base of operations in a 48,000 square foot vacant facility at the Middle Georgia Regional Airport. This partnership represents \$1,000,000 in private investment and will create up to 150 new jobs with an average pay of \$28 per hour. The company has committed to a three-year lease agreement with two five-year options.

Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems is a leading aircraft maintenance provider based out of Greenville, SC with significant maintenance operations there, in Nashville, TN and in Dayton, OH. Stevens also maintains thirteen satellite operations throughout the Southeast and Midwest

Neal McGrail, Stevens' CFO said, "Stevens' space requirements have surpassed the 200,000 square feet we occupy in Greenville. We were happy to find, in Macon, an excellent hangar with enough square footage in which to base our large cabin business. We anticipate growing a significant business at this location."

"We are delighted to welcome Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems to Macon-Bibb County as one of our newest corporate partners. We look forward to working closely with Stevens Aerospace as they get connected into our community" says MBCIA Executive Director Stephen Adams.

"To have Stevens Aerospace and Defense Systems select the Macon-Bibb County community as an additional base of operations is a major win for our entire community. The Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority is proud to be a lead in bringing another new aerospace operation to our local Airport" says MBCIA Chairman Robert Fountain.

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About the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority: The Authority attracts new business investment and leverages its strategic partnerships to create a business-friendly landscape for Macon-Bibb. Catalyzing job growth and strengthening corporate infrastructure at its various industrial parks are key elements to its longstanding record of economic development success. To learn more, visit www.mbcia.com.