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IBAC Welcomes Kathy Perfetti in Senior Regulatory Role

Montreal, Canada, 27 February 2015 – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) welcomes back Kathy Perfetti as Senior Advisor, Regulatory Affairs. She will serve as the IBAC observer on the Flight Operations Panel of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and as a member of the General Aviation Subgroup. Perfetti had previously directed the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO) from 2007 to 2011, when she retired.

“IBAC is very pleased to have Kathy Perfetti rejoin our team,” said Kurt Edwards, IBAC Director General. “Her wide-ranging knowledge of and boundless energy for the business aviation community are well known around the world, both in industry and regulatory agencies, and enable her to make effective contributions on IBAC’s part.”

Perfetti developed significant experience over 29 years with the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Working in the field as an operations inspector, she provided oversight for a part 121 and numerous part 135 operators, pilot schools, corporate operators and other aviation entities. At FAA headquarters, in staff and management positions, she developed several major regulatory and implementation initiatives, including single-engine IFR rules for part 135 operators, the fractional ownership rule and its implementation, and the Aviation Rulemaking Committee to rewrite parts 125 and 135.

While Perfetti led the IS-BAO Program, an industry code of best practices that contains a Safety Management System, the program grew from 75 to 630 registered operators worldwide over four years. She was instrumental in several regulatory authorities recognizing IS-BAO as a means of compliance and securing endorsements by the NTSB and US federal aviation programs.

Perfetti holds an Airline Transport Pilot certificate with several type ratings. She is a recipient of NBAA’s Silk Scarf Award, a two-time recipient of Business and Commercial Aviation’s Visionary Award, and other government and industry awards. She is an honors graduate of Michigan State University. Perfetti currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

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