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**RedHawk Training Aircraft Becomes even more compelling with TBR Increase**

***Improvements by Continental allow RedHawk remanufactured C-172 to fly up to 2,100 hours.***

*Oshkosh, WI (July 25, 2016)* – RedHawk Training Aircraft has announced that the Time Before Replacement (TBR) for the Continental CD-135 engine has been increased from 1,500 to 2,100 hours. Continental Motors was able to make this lifetime extension because of key improvements, continuous testing, and field experience. The RedHawk was developed to offer a solution to the soaring prices of new training aircraft with advanced technology and this time extension for the diesel engine offers even more value. By flying another 600 hours on these reliable engines, flight training organizations can increase profits while still passing additional savings on to their customers.

“We are pleased that the reliability and safety record of the CD-135 will allow us to offer even more value to our customers and future RedHawk owners,” noted Redbird Flight’s VP of Operations Darren Bien. “This increase in TBR puts the RedHawk’s maintenance costs on par with comparable training aircraft, allowing the operator to see much higher margins due to the impressively low fuel consumption that the diesel engine provides.”

Redbird began development on the RedHawk project in 2012 with a goal of creating a standardized training aircraft that is affordable, operationally economical, and technologically advanced.  The result is a remanufactured Cessna 172, equipped with a Jet-A burning, FADEC managed, Continental engine, and advanced avionics.

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