

## Update

### on the situation following the Explosion at the Zodiac Aerospace Advanced Composite and Engineered Materials facility, located in Newport, WA, USA

July 17, 2015 – Following the explosion which occurred on July 14 in the Zodiac Aerospace Advanced Composite and Engineered Materials facility in Newport, WA, USA, the Zodiac Aerospace Group has the following information:

- Regarding the 5 injured workers: the three less injured workers were treated and released the same day at a nearby Hospital. The two individuals who were more seriously injured are recovering ; one of the two was discharged from the hospital on Thursday.  
The local management team and human resources are acting to support the victims and their families. The crisis/counselling team remains active and available to all employees of the Newport facility.
- There are ongoing investigations to determine the causes of the explosion. Zodiac Aerospace has set up an internal enquiry as well as is fully cooperating with local and federal authorities. At this time, it is established that the explosion occurred around 9pm (Pacific Standard Time) in the workshop of prepreg fabrics, used to make composite panels for cabin interiors. At the time of the explosion, 20 workers out of 104 were in the facility.
- The analysis of the consequences of this explosion on our operations is going on. The facility has suffered from important damages. Experts cleared part of the building for inspection. The first assessment of the facility shows that only the prepreg production line has been damaged. The teams are assessing the options to restart the production inside the preserved parts of the plant or in another location. We study alternative solutions for the productions: others plants of the Group or external suppliers. In the short-term, current stocks should allow to supply the plants of the Group which are being supplied by the Newport facility.

Further update will follow.

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