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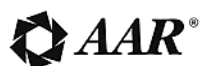
## **AAR EXPANDS PRESENCE IN HUNTSVILLE WITH ARMY AVIATION PROGRAM OFFICE**

WOOD DALE, ILLINOIS (May 29, 2008) — AAR CORP. (NYSE: AIR) announced today that the Company is expanding its presence in Huntsville with the addition of an Army Aviation Program office. The new program office will identify and develop growth opportunities for AAR's products and services designed to support military helicopter platforms.

This is AAR's first corporate-level presence in Huntsville and will complement AAR's operating units in Huntsville which include AAR Brown International and AAR SUMMA Technology. The program office will be collocated with the AAR SUMMA Technology facility and led by Stephen W. Peckham, Vice President, Army Aviation Programs, an industry veteran with over 28 years of experience supporting U.S. Army Helicopter and Fixed-Wing Operations. Prior to joining AAR, Peckham was Program Manager of Black Hawk Engineering Services for Sikorsky Helicopter Corporation and Programs & Business Development Manager – Army Programs for Goodrich Aerospace. Throughout his career, Peckham has served as an operational aviator, a maintenance test pilot, program manager and a business development leader.

"AAR has a solid performance record supporting military helicopter programs for our armed forces," said Timothy J. Romenesko, President and Chief Operating Officer of AAR CORP. "This new program office provides the U.S. Army with a single point of contact for rotocraft support and direct access to AAR's wide range of products and services for defense customers.

AAR provides military organizations and defense contractors with comprehensive solutions for readiness, mobility, sustainment and battle management. The company offers supply chain services, component repair, cargo systems, rapid deployment equipment, mobile tactical shelters and advanced command and control systems designed to transport troops and equipment into theaters of operation and sustain in-theater activity. AAR is currently involved in 15 Performance-Based Logistics programs supporting helicopter, fixed-wing and ground vehicle platforms.



AAR is a leading provider of products and value-added services to the worldwide aerospace and defense industry. With facilities and sales locations around the world, AAR uses its close-to-the-customer business model to serve aviation and defense customers through four operating segments: Aviation Supply Chain; Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul; Structures & Systems and Aircraft Sales & Leasing. More information can be found at [www.aarcorp.com](http://www.aarcorp.com).

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