STRENGTHENING UK AND EUROPEAN CHARTER & MANAGEMENT CAPABILITIES - OPUL JETS ACQUIRES ZENITH AVIATION

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OPUL Jets UK announced its acquisition of Zenith Aviation, a respected UK-based operator headquartered at London Biggin Hill Airport. The acquisition includes Zenith's UK-issued AOC, a managed fleet of G-registered aircraft and a fully accredited CAA Part-145 maintenance facility, significantly expanding OPUL's regulatory reach, technical capabilities and in-house expertise. The acquisition marks a pivotal milestone in OPUL growth strategy, reinforcing its position as a leading provider of private jet charter, aircraft management, and engineering services across the UK and Europe.

Chris Wall, Partner, OPUL Jets, commented: "This acquisition brings together two highly complementary organisations. Zenith's reputation for technical strength, precision, and service perfectly aligns with OPUL's commitment to delivering a seamless, world-class aviation experience. With the AOC and maintenance approvals now in-house, we're uniquely positioned to offer our clients full control, flexibility and safety across every flight."

Stuart Mulholland, Managing Director at Zenith Aviation stated: "Joining OPUL Jets represents a new chapter for Zenith, one that builds on our legacy while opening the door to expanded

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resources, support, and reach. We’re proud to become part of a forward-thinking team that shares our safety, service, and excellence values.”

Holding a UK AOC is a vital asset in the current regulatory environment, particularly post-Brexit. It underscores OPUL’s ability to operate UK-originating and intra-European charter flights with complete compliance. Beyond legal authority, the AOC reflects a deep commitment to safety, oversight, and operational excellence, assuring clients that every flight meets rigorous Civil Aviation Authority standards.

Zenith Aviation brings a proven track record in aircraft management, crewing, CAMO, and regulatory compliance. Its CAA-approved Part-145 maintenance operation, with expertise in Bombardier and Learjet platforms, further enhances OPUL’s ability to manage technical operations in-house, improving aircraft reliability, reducing downtime, and delivering seamless support to managed and third-party clients.

Crucially, Zenith’s existing leadership team will remain in place, ensuring management, relationships, and operational culture continuity. The business will continue to operate from its Biggin Hill base, now under the OPUL Jets brand, with all staff and services retained.

The integration also creates new opportunities for staff development, cross-functional collaboration and long-term growth within a dynamic and expanding aviation group.



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