CESSNA PISTON FLEET CAPABILITIES STRENGTHENED THROUGH NEW FLIGHT DECK AND SYSTEM UPGRADES

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Textron Aviation announced a suite of new enhancements for its Cessna piston lineup, including the Cessna Skyhawk, Cessna Skylane, Cessna Turbo Skylane and Cessna Turbo Stationair HD. These updates feature the introduction of the Garmin G1000 NXi System Release 7 avionics upgrade and the Lycoming dual electronic ignition system (dual EIS). Previously announced for the Cessna Skyhawk, dual EIS is now standard on all new Cessna piston aircraft. Aircraft equipped with these enhancements are expected to enter service beginning in late 2026 through early 2027.

Lannie O'Bannion, senior vice president, Sales & Marketing commented: "We continue to invest in innovations that support the long?term success of our Cessna piston products. Garmin System Release 7 and the dual electronic ignition system improvements provide pilots with advanced tools that simplify operations, improve situational awareness and deliver a more modern and intuitive flying experience."

Avionics upgrade brings several sought?after capabilities to Cessna high?wing customers,

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including Garmin Smart Glide, which provides automated engine?out assistance to help pilots manage emergency situations with confidence. The update also includes Remote Wake, allowing operators to power up aircraft avionics systems from outside the cockpit for pre?flight planning, database updates and maintenance checks.

Replacing the previous dual magneto ignition system, the dual EIS improves maintenance intervals and overall operation of the aircraft. This solid-state electronic technology integrates advanced components and decreases the number of internal moving parts in addition to reducing operating costs. These enhancements further modernize the Cessna piston fleet, providing pilots with updated technology and dependable performance features that reinforce the aircraft’s reputation for capability, efficiency and enduring value.

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