NAA ANNOUNCES UPS CAPTAIN KAREN LEE TO RECEIVE 2008 KATHARINE WRIGHT AWARD

Arlington, Virginia, September 25, 2008 – The National Aeronautic Association (NAA) announced that Captain Karen Lee will receive the NAA Katharine Wright Award for “her steadfast vision in pioneering UPS Airlines’ leading, globally recognized, research and implementation of ADS-B technology that is transforming the national air transportation system.”

The award will be presented at the NAA Fall Awards Banquet on Monday, November 3 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Virginia.

Captain Lee has been an aviation pioneer almost her entire life. The daughter of an airline captain she began flying at 16 and later earned flight hours as a flight instructor and charter pilot. She became the first female commercial pilot in Puerto Rico when she began flying for a charter company.

She joined UPS in 1987, and later was promoted to several different management positions. She is currently director of operations for the UPS airline, the ninth largest airline in the world. In this role, Karen was responsible for UPS efforts in implementing ADS-B technology, a program that recently achieved aviation’s highest honor – the Collier Trophy.

The National Aeronautic Association is a non-profit, membership organization devoted to fostering America’s aerospace leadership and promoting public understanding of the importance of aviation and space flight to the United States.