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New Boeing Airplanes Safer
New 787 Dreamliners to have Fuel Tank Inerting

(Washington DC) – The National Air Disaster Alliance announced today that Boeing has introduced fuel tank inerting on its new 787 Dreamliner commercial aircraft. Almost 11 years after the tragic TWA Flight 800 explosion off Long Island, Boeing has introduced the first commercial application for fuel tank inerting. The new Boeing 787 Dreamliner is the first commercial aircraft to have fuel tank inerting, designed to suppress explosive fuel vapors in the fuel tanks of airplanes and prevent explosions.

“This is a significant step in improving safety, and saving lives. Tragedies like TWA800 would have been avoided had this technology been in place”, says Matt Ziemkiewicz, Vice President of the National Air Disaster Alliance and TWA Flight 800 family member. “It’s a shame that it has taken over ten years since TWA800 to implement this major safety improvement. I applaud Boeing for setting the new industry standard for fuel tank inerting.”

Recent meetings with the new President and CEO of Boeing revealed that they are committed to improving safety and preventing any future tragedies.

The National Air Disaster Alliance/ Foundation (NADA/F) is the largest grassroots air safety organization in the U.S., and represents survivors, those who have lost loved ones, aviation professionals, the traveling public, and those impacted by over 90 air disasters worldwide.

NADA/F is a non-profit corporation. Our purpose is to raise the standard of safety, security, survivability, and support through constructive communications with all levels of government, public and private agencies, manufacturers and industry associations. We will inform and educate the flying public on critical issues, and we will advocate for reform.

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