Avation plc - Issue of Equity by Subsidiary

AVATION PLC (AVAP.PL)

# PLACING BY SUBSIDIARY, CAPITAL LEASE AVIATION PLC GBP 11.45 MILLION RAISED

### APPOINTMENT OF STOCKBROKER

9th July 2007

The Board of Avation Plc ("Avation"), a company that owns commercial jet aircraft that it leases to airlines, provides airline consumables as well as owns a business that sells broadcasting equipment, is pleased to announce the closing of a fundraising for its newly incorporated UK subsidiary Capital Lease Aviation Plc ("CLA").

CLA, a special purpose vehicle founded by Avation, has successfully raised a total of GBP 11,450,001.36 (gross of issue costs) through the issue of 47,708,339 new ordinary shares of 0.1 pence each at a price of 24 pence per ordinary share. The total number of ordinary shares in issue in CLA as at the date of this announcement is 97,808,339. Avation holds 50,100,000 ordinary shares in CLA, representing a 51.22% holding in the enlarged share capital of CLA.

It is the intention of the Directors that, subject to the securing of furtheraircraft and also the acquisition senior debt financing and securing the aircraft themselves, CLA will use a combination of debt and equity finance to finance the acquisition of various commercial aircraft to be leased to airlines. CLA will endeavour to provide a leveraged return on the investment in the aircraft and to this end it has approached the primary bankers to Avation in seeking to secure senior debt finance.

Further developments in this regard will be made in due course at the appropriate time.

Avation's first special purpose vehicle, F100 Pty Ltd, was formed late in 2006. It currently owns three Fokker F100 aircraft and is in the process of finalising contracts to buy and lease a fourth aircraft.

### APPOINTMENT OF SECOND STOCKBROKER

The placing in CLA was managed by WH Ireland Ltd and involved

an issue of new ordinary shares to sophisticated institutional investors.

Pursuant to the placing, WH Ireland Ltd has consequently been appointed a joint-stockbroker to Avation.

The directors take responsibility for the contents of this announcement.

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