



## **Eaton and Alenia announce a Workshare Agreement related to F-35 Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter Program**

**IRVINE, California, 15 July 2008** - Diversified industrial manufacturer Eaton Corporation's aerospace business and Alenia Aeronautica today announced the formal signing of an agreement to cooperate in a workshare program on the F-35 Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter. The agreement involves the design, development and production of hydraulic, fuel and power thermal management system (PTMS) tubes for the wing assemblies of the Conventional Take-Off and Landing (CTOL) F-35 Lightning II.

Alenia Aeronautica is under contract with Lockheed Martin to produce half of the wing sections for the CTOL F-35. Under the agreement, Alenia Aeronautica will manufacture 15% of the tubing that will be installed in the wing sections. 85% remaining of the tubing will be manufactured and supplied by Eaton. The partnership will also supply complete tubing packages to Lockheed Martin for the wing sections that the company are assembling at their Fort Worth, Texas facility.

### **Eaton Corporation**

Eaton Corporation is a diversified power management company with 2007 sales of \$13 billion and is a global technology leader in electrical systems for power quality, distribution and control; hydraulics components, systems and services for industrial and mobile equipment; aerospace fuel, hydraulics and pneumatic systems for commercial and military use; and truck and automotive drivetrain and powertrain systems for performance, fuel economy and safety. Eaton has 81,000 employees and sells products to customers in more than 150 countries. For more information, visit [www.eaton.com](http://www.eaton.com)

### **Alenia Aeronautica**

Alenia Aeronautica, a Finmeccanica Company, is the largest Italian aeronautic player which operates worldwide in the commercial and military aviation, unmanned aerial vehicles and aerostructures. Alenia Aeronautica also coordinates the activities of Alenia Aermacchi and Alenia Aeronavali - wholly owned companies – respectively active in the design and manufacturing of military trainer aircraft and in the overhaul, maintenance and modification of military and civil aircraft.

With its joint venture ATR, Alenia Aeronautica is the world leader in the regional turboprop market, while, thanks to its 51% participation in SuperJet International and to the purchase of 25% + 1 share of Sukhoi Civil Aircraft Company, Alenia Aeronautica completes its offer within the regional jet sector.

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