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### XCELAR Taps Former United AQP Specialist for Key Role

*Minneapolis, MN - May 24, 2010* - After a decade of successfully developing, implementing, and managing Advanced Qualification Programs (AQP) for one of the world's largest airlines, Jill Toney is bringing her expertise to airlines around the globe via her new position at XCELAR.

As Product Manager - Quality Management Systems, Ms. Toney will play a key role in bringing XCELAR's program development, approval, and maintenance capabilities to operators worldwide. XCELAR's Quality Management Systems division develops integrated solutions and training programs for aviation operators, including: AQP training programs for pilot, flight attendant and dispatch programs; Safety Management Systems (SMS); quality control programs; and data management systems.

"XCELAR's quality management approach provides the expertise, guidance and flexibility to manage the sometimes daunting intricacies of AQP, for airlines of any size – with content and tools developed collaboratively with the operator", Jill explains. "In today's challenging environment, it's more important than ever to optimize employee skills effectively, efficiently, and in full compliance with regulations. XCELAR's impressive team of professionals who have developed, gained approval for, and continuously improved AQP and quality programs offers an important new resource for the industry."

Currently, the Advanced Qualification Program (AQP) is a voluntary, alternative method for qualifying, training, certifying and continuously improving the proficiency of pilots, flight attendants, dispatchers, maintenance and other operations personnel, as well as instructors and evaluators trained or qualified under FAA Part 121 and Part 135 regulations. AQP compliant airlines are realizing significant benefits from their integrated programs. From proven proficiency and safety enhancements to reduced training footprints, AQP is strengthening airline performance and efficiency across the board.

XCELAR's AQP products and services include:

- Phase I: Application and compliance package; Master AQP Transition Schedule development; MATS Seminar
- Phase II (Initial development package): Task Analysis, Qualification Standards Document and Curriculum Outlines; all prologue documentation; Data Analysis Plan
- Phase III: Implementation and Operations Plan; development of instructor and evaluator training including rater-reliability and evaluation strategies; Quality Control programs; and ongoing AQP and data management consulting.

**Upcoming appearances:** Ms. Toney is a featured panelist at the Regional Airline Association annual conference in Milwaukee May 24 – 27, and at the FAA Shared Vision for Aviation Safety Conference in San Diego, June 1 – 3.

"We are very pleased to have Jill onboard with us at XCELAR. Jill is a trusted colleague and advisor in the AQP & Quality Management world", says Cheri Haynes, Director of Quality Management Programs at XCELAR. "The combination of Jill's leadership with the XCELAR team provides our customers a proven path to success through program development, approval, and operational maintenance."

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