Peach Becomes Fastest Airline in Japan to Obtain Continued Airworthiness Certification for All Aircraft

- Certification obtained for all 16 of its Airbus A320 aircraft
- Certification obtained in a mere 3 years and 7 months from the start of operations in 2012
- Recognition of the high level of reliability and management structure for its aircraft maintenance

OSAKA October 23, 2015 - Peach Aviation Limited (“Peach”; Representative Director and CEO: Shinichi Inoue) has announced that it today obtained Continued Airworthiness Certification from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism for all 16 of its A320 aircraft on October 22. The effective periods validated for the airworthiness of its aircraft will thus be changed to “the period for which the company’s maintenance regulations are applicable” and the annual airworthiness inspections for certificate renewal which have been mandatory to date will no longer be required.

Airworthiness certification is necessary for flying aircraft. Certification is issued after inspection by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism to ensure that the durability, structure, functions, and other standards are met for securing the safety of aircraft and is valid for one year. Peach has been suspending regular services for each of its aircraft for three to four days annually in order to receive the required inspection for certification.

The requirement for obtaining Continued Airworthiness Certification is that “an appropriate maintenance structure is established based on maintenance regulations and sufficient capability is in presence and based on such, appropriate maintenance and other procedures are recognized as being taken to secure continuous safety”. Peach’s acquisition at this time of Continued Airworthiness Certification is an indication that its safety and maintenance management structure, as well as the appropriate maintenance and management structure of the airworthiness of its aircraft, have been recognized by the government and means that in a mere three years and seven months since the start of its operations in March 2012, the company has become the fastest airline in Japan to obtain this certification. There will no longer be a need to suspend its regular flights for the annual inspections, meaning enhanced convenience for its customers.

Peach will continue to position “safety” as its top priority so that its customers will be able to use its services with peace of mind. It will firmly establish its structure for protecting safety while each of its employees pursues safety and practices responsible, reliable conduct as it continues to make challenges to create innovation for the aviation industry.
An Airbus 320 owned by Peach