

## **Trade Press Release: Sierra Hotel Aero, Inc. (SHA) and Navion Aircraft jointly launch NavionX.org®, a new non-profit aviation organization.**

**South St. Paul, MN** – July 15, 2010 – Chris Gardner, President and CEO of Sierra Hotel Aero, Inc. (SHA) and Type Certificate holder for Navion Aircraft, announced formation of a new organization called NavionX®. This 501c-3 non-profit aviation organization is being formed as a way for owners and enthusiasts of the Navion to use the internet and social media in a user supported forum to share information, plan social gatherings and educational forums. NavionX.org will be the virtual place online where Navion owners and enthusiasts can gather. Sierra Hotel Aero plans to make archival documents available in an effort to promote the continued use, interest and flying of the aircraft. This will be another way for the Type Certificate holder to give back to the legacy and share interesting data, original concepts, old photographs and historical records that cover the History of the Navion via drawings, documents, parts lists and product line knowledge through the NavionX® organization.

NavionX® is designed to be a membership based organization, with a membership elected Board of Directors and wholly operated by NavionX® members. Initially Mr. Gardner will act as President, but within a short period of time will resign and be replaced by an elected Official and Board. Sierra Hotel Aero and Navion Aircraft Company will provide the NavionX® organization selected Navion Aircraft technical support in a more public forum. Gardner states, “We felt there was a need to have a forum that would be more closely affiliated with the Type Certificate Holder to assure owners and enthusiasts accurate information to enhance support, preservation and popularity of the Navion. The NavionX® organization will be the place to go for owners and enthusiasts wanting to share their experiences. Obviously owners do not need to belong to the type club to take advantage of Sierra Hotel Aero’s knowledge, but this club will give owners a larger voice and the ability to share knowledge pertaining to all Navion Aircraft”.

For more information or to become a NavionX® charter member, please visit [NavionX.org](http://NavionX.org). Please contact Chris Gardner directly for opportunities pertaining to a tax deductible Corporate or Private Sponsorship, donations, advertising options or if additional information is required.

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## About Us:

SHA and Navion Aircraft Company is a global full service aviation business and Type Certificate Holder with over 25 years of structural experience repairing metallic and advanced composite aircraft assemblies for single and multi-engine aircraft. Our engineering and design expertise allows us to provide unique cost effective solutions to complex problems.

- We are an industry leader in damaged aircraft repair and developed the Committed Partner Program® (CPP). This program is designed specifically to improve the insurance company process when dealing with damaged aircraft repairs. The program greatly reduces the aircraft out-of-service time and repair costs, while significantly increasing customer satisfaction with their insurance broker and insurance company adjusters. The program also provides preferred pricing and financial cost savings to insurance companies, based on repair types and frequencies.
- We specialize in aircraft modification and custom applications.
- We are FAA/PMA approved to manufacture parts for civilian aircraft and we hold PMA parts status for all Navion aircraft.
- We hold PMA for Cessna 120/140 fuel valves.
- We are an authorized dealer and installer for many avionics manufacturers.
- We are a Certified D'Shannon Beechcraft Service Center.