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### **BRS-601 Rocket Granted Important European Union “CE” Mark**

**South St. Paul, MN, USA May 24th, 2010 --** BRS Aerospace of South St. Paul, Minnesota, USA, (“Ballistic Recovery Systems”) announced today that it has been awarded the European Union “CE” (or **CE**) mark for its BRS-601 pyrotechnic rocket used in many of its whole-aircraft emergency parachute recovery systems sold to selected sport aircraft enthusiasts throughout Europe.

Precipitating the CE mark approval, and its associated Certificate of Conformity, the BRS 601 successfully passed a rigorous set of performance tests conducted by the BAM (Federal Republic of Germany’s Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing).

This ground breaking accomplishment marks the first, and currently only, pyrotechnic product that the BAM has approved according to the new European Regulations for use in the recreational aviation environment, allowing the unilateral adoption of the BRS 601 rocket throughout the entire European Union (EU). Not only is the CE designation mandatory to confirm adherence to a stringent set of European Directives/Regulations, the CE certification also provides the end user the confidence that the BRS 601 has met EU safety, health, and environmental requirements.

Larry Williams, CEO and President of BRS Aerospace, said, “ To have our product attain the CE mark is noteworthy in that it tells the entire European flying consumer base, and the whole world for that matter, that BRS Aerospace designs, manufactures, and sells solidly reliable products tested and verified safe by an independent and well-regarded European agency. The flying public can be assured, therefore, that should they ever need to use a BRS parachute containing this rocket, it will have met the highest safety standards available in Europe.”

#### **About BRS Aerospace**

Based in South Saint Paul, Minnesota, BRS Aerospace consists of three divisions: BRS Aviation which designs, manufactures, and distributes whole-aircraft emergency parachute systems for general aviation and recreational aircraft; BRS Defense which designs and manufactures a variety of parachute systems for US Department of Defense and foreign military customers; and BRS Safety which designs and manufactures

reflective and load-bearing safety vests and other safety apparel and is a leader in the “cut & sew” industry. Since 1981, BRS Aerospace has delivered more than 31,000 parachute systems to aircraft owners worldwide, including over 4,700 systems on FAA-certificated aircraft such as the Cirrus Design SR20 and SR22 manufactured in Duluth, Minnesota and a variety of Cessna aircraft including the C-172/182 and the new C-162 Skycatcher, as well as the Piper Sport LSA. To date, BRS Aerospace parachute recovery systems have been credited with saving the lives of 246 pilots and passengers.

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