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[RUAG Aviation](#) announced that it has secured approval from the [FAA](#) for its upgraded Dornier 228-212 aircraft. The FAA Amended Type Certificate is a further milestone for the Dornier new production program. RUAG Aviation is the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) of the [Dornier 228](#) and holds FAA approval for the aircraft, dated from 1990. The FAA issued an Amended Type Certificate for the upgraded Dornier 228-212 on 15 March 2016, in accordance with the major changes and design modifications achieved on the upgraded Dornier.



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The advanced Dornier model features a new five-bladed propeller, an optimized engine system, a new glass cockpit and enhanced avionics. “Prior to issuance of this additional airworthiness certification, the FAA requested no supplemental modifications to the aircraft’s hardware or design,” says RUAG Airworthiness Office Specialist Jürgen Berk. “This was a welcome achievement for the RUAG Aviation development team, especially with respect to the

intensive FAA validation procedures carried out over a period of six months.”

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“FAA certification of the upgraded Dornier 228-212 is a considerable milestone and opens the door for RUAG to achieve further proximity to the markets in the Americas, meeting their requirements and supporting them in their priorities,” adds RUAG Dornier 228 Product Manager Fabian Kölliker. “This is fully in line with RUAG Aviation’s strategy of internationalization and growth with US-based customers set to benefit substantially.”



The upgraded Dornier 228-212 program is a versatile, highly reliable twin-engine aircraft with short takeoff and landing (STOL) capabilities, high speed cruise and a range of operating speeds, and exceptional crosswind stability. It can be easily configured from passenger to cargo transport layout and features low maintenance and operational costs. RUAG Aviation assembles the aircraft at its location in Munich using structural elements, avionics and electronic systems sourced from Germany, India and the US.

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The Dornier has a long and successful history in the US, as well as a strong reputation and proven performance throughout the rest of the world. RUAG Aviation strives with this latest certification to open a new chapter in this story while continuing to strengthen its excellent relationship with the FAA.

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