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## **Clay Lacy Aviation, LLC – Seattle (KBFI) earns the first North American IS-BAH™ Stage II Registration**

**Montreal, Canada 5 July 2017** – The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) today formally announced the first North American Stage II registration for the International Standard for Business Aircraft Handling (IS-BAH™), the global code of best safety practices.

The announcement confirms that IBAC issued the first North American Stage II registration to Gateway USA, LLC dba Clay Lacy Aviation, LLC.

During an independent audit performed earlier this month, Gateway USA, LLC successfully demonstrated that their systems, processes and procedures assessed at Stage I are maturing and continue dynamically to improve their ground handling safety performance and activities.

“Our congratulations go out to the management and teams at Gateway USA, LLC facility for their continued support and dedication to the IS-BAH programme. The first Stage II North American registration is a significant milestone.” said Terry Yeomans – IS-BAH Programme Director.

The IS-BAH has been created for the industry by the industry. It incorporates a scalable safety management system (SMS) concept in all aspects of FBO/BAHA operations and is complementary with the International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO), adopted globally by corporate flight departments.

Chuck Kegley, the General Manager of Gateway USA, LLC dba Clay Lacy Aviation, LLC said,

*“Safety is the foundation of our culture. The ISBAH standards were developed using ‘best practices’ used widely in the international business aviation community and, as such, reflect the high level of operational safety that we continuously work to achieve. I wish to thank all of those who worked so hard to make this achievement possible; including our safety partners at Baldwin Aviation and our Director of Safety, Richard Keltner.”*

The IS-BAH™ is a joint programme between IBAC and the National Air Transportation Association (NATA). It incorporates the NATA Safety 1st ground audit programme and follows the long established structure of the IS-BAO™ programme.

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Further information can be found at:

[www.ibac.org/is\\_bah](http://www.ibac.org/is_bah) or [www.nata.aero/Safety-1st/ISBAH.aspx](http://www.nata.aero/Safety-1st/ISBAH.aspx).

## **ABOUT GATEWAY USA, LLC**

Gateway USA, LLC dba Clay Lacy Aviation, LLC (CLA-Seattle), located at King County International Airport/Boeing Field (KBFI), is an independent FBO that is major global provider of support services for privately-owned, corporate, commercial, and military aircraft. It's NATA Safety First-trained and IS-BAH registered line service technicians are available 24/7 serving all aspects of aviation.

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