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Bruce McCollum (wearing the blue jacket) joins Daher team members on the TBM final assembly line at Tarbes, France, prior to the trans-Atlantic ferry flight of his TBM 960 – which was the 1,100th TBM family aircraft delivered.

1,100 TBMs...and counting! Daher marks a new delivery milestone for its highly efficient TBM very fast turboprop aircraft

Tarbes, France, October 11, 2022 – Daher has delivered its 1,100th TBM, underscoring the success of this highly efficient very fast turboprop aircraft family and highlighting the popularity of the TBM900-series – which has evolved through the company's strategy of continuous operational improvements and commitment to enhanced sustainability.

This milestone aircraft is a TBM 960 – the latest top-of-the-line TBM version – which benefits from Daher's application of digital power for enhanced operating economics, along with a superior piloting experience and increased cabin comfort.

The 1,100th TBM delivery occurred just two years after Daher's handover of the 1,000th TBM.

Today's TBM production versions – the TBM 960 and TBM 910 – evolved from the initial TBM 700 configuration, which was introduced in 1990 as the first civilian pressurized single-engine turboprop aircraft. It was followed in 2006 by the more powerful TBM 850. The TBM 900-series' launch in 2014 accelerated the aircraft family's success, culminating with the TBM 960, which is the ultimate evolution of the brand today.

With the TBM's market position and Daher's 2019 acquisition of the Kodiak product line, the company now ranks among the top 10 general aviation airplane manufacturers. It offers a range of complementary aircraft: the TBM 910/TBM 960, which meet the performance and efficiency requirements of private pilots/owners and governments; and the Kodiak 100/Kodiak 900, which are tailored for diverse applications that range from humanitarian airlift and medical evacuation to the utility, governmental and special mission sectors.

Nicolas Chabbert, the Senior Vice President of Daher's Aircraft Division, said the TBM airplane family has distinguished itself through constant improvements in environmental efficiency and operational safety – delivering speed at much lower fuel consumption than competing jets, and incorporating enhancements in flight envelope protection and situational awareness.

"The 1,100th delivery is an achievement that we owe to our faithful customers for their continued confidence, and which is built on the dedication of our Daher teams in engineering, flight test, production and support," Chabbert added.

Delivery of the 1,100th TBM occurred this month, with the aircraft acquired by Bruce McCollum, an active private pilot who previously owned a TBM 850 and a TBM 900. McCollum met up with his new TBM 960 at the Tarbes, France headquarters of Daher's Aircraft Division, which is the site for the TBM's production and final assembly. Tarbes also is one of the locations for Daher's aerostructures business.

McCollum then boarded the aircraft for its trans-Atlantic ferry flight to the U.S., where the formal handover occurred at Daher's operation in Pompano Beach, Florida.

"I had a great tour of the factory in Tarbes, which was very impressive: you can feel the dedication of the Daher teams who design, build and constantly fine-tune the TBM," McCollum said. "Additionally, the breadth of aerostructures that Daher makes for such leading aircraft producers as Airbus, Dassault and Gulfstream also is impressive. Having this diversity contributes to Daher's strength as a company and its ability for future development of the TBM."

About Daher - www.daher.com

Daher is an aircraft manufacturer and an industry and service equipment supplier. Daher asserts its leadership in three main businesses: aircraft manufacturing, aerospace equipment and systems, logistics and supply chain services; and achieved a turnover of 1.2 billion euros in 2021. With the stability provided by its family ownership, Daher has been committed to innovation since its creation in 1863. Today, present in 13 countries, Daher is a leader in Industry 4.0, designing and developing value-added solutions for its industrial partners.

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About Daher's aircraft product line – www.kodiak.aero / www.tbm.aero

Daher manufactures two families of single-engine turboprop airplanes: the Kodiak utility aircraft in Sandpoint, Idaho, USA, and the very efficient pressurized TBM in Tarbes, France.

The Kodiak 100 Series III is an unpressurized 8-10-seat airplane equipped with Garmin's G1000 NXi avionics, capable of operating on uneven and unimproved runways, or on water in the amphibious version. Its unique combination of robust construction and remarkable 3,530 lb. useful load has resulted in many additional applications for the Kodiak, including special missions, medevac, as a skydiving platform and more.

Daher introduced the larger Kodiak 900 version in 2022, featuring a fuselage length extension of 3.9 feet for more passenger room and cargo space, a cruise speed increase to 210 KTAS, and a greater useful load while offering a maximum range of 1,129 nm.

Current TBM models in production are the TBM 910, equipped with Garmin's G1000 Nxi avionics system, controlled by a keypad; and the TBM 960, featuring Pratt & Whitney Canada's PT6E-66XT engine and a dualchannel digital Engine and Propeller Electronic Control System (EPECS), an autothrottle, Garmin's G3000 avionics with touchscreen controller, and the HomeSafe[™] emergency autoland system. Both models offer increased automation and superior performance.

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As of September 30th, 2022, a total of 306 Kodiak and 1,100 TBM aircraft had been delivered to international owners and operators, with the global fleet accumulating some 2.2 million flight hours.

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