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Flight Tests Commence for MRJ's PurePower® PW1200G Engine

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Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation is pleased to announce that the first flight of Pratt & Whitney's PurePower® PW1200G engine for the Mitsubishi Regional Jet (MRJ) took place on April 30 (EDT). The PW1217G for the 90-seat MRJ90 flew on a specially designed stub wing aboard Pratt & Whitney's Boeing 747SP flying test bed from Pratt & Whitney's Mirabel Aerospace Center, in Mirabel, Quebec, Canada.

The MRJ is the next-generation regional aircraft currently under development by Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation. Featuring Pratt & Whitney's game-changing PurePower engine along with state-of-the-art aerodynamic design, the MRJ will offer game-changing competitiveness and profitability for the world's airlines and regional operators.

"We are delighted that the first flight of the MRJ engine was successfully completed," said Hideo Egawa, President, Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation. "This is indeed a major milestone for the MRJ program. With the PurePower engine at the heart of the MRJ, we will work closely with our wonderful partner Pratt & Whitney to integrate this innovative powerplant with the airframe."



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Mitsubishi Regional Jet is a family of 70~90-seat next-generation aircraft featuring state-of-the-art aerodynamics and Pratt & Whitney's revolutionary PurePower® engine to drastically reduce fuel consumption, noise, and emissions, while offering top-class operational benefits, an outstanding cabin, large overhead bins, and an innovative slim seat designed for heightened passenger flying comfort.