



NEWS RELEASE

AIRO Invited to Phase 2.5 of Drone Dominance Program

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MCLEAN, Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- AIRO Group Holdings, Inc. (Nasdaq: AIRO) ("AIRO" or the "Company"), a next-generation aerospace and defense company, today announced that it has been invited to participate in Phase 2.5 of the Drone Dominance Program. As one of 17 companies selected for this stage, AIRO will participate in the Phase 2.5 Bomber Qualifier at Camp Grayling, Michigan, in October 2026.

This next phase will evaluate 17 unique drones across three mission sets and two testing stages, including a vendor-operated bomber qualifier and a military-operated bomber gauntlet. According to the program announcement, Phase 2.5 will represent the most demanding and accelerated testing phase of the Drone Dominance Program to date.

"Receiving an invite to Phase 2.5 of the Drone Dominance Program represents another key milestone for AIRO and underscores the strength of our technology, along with the dedication of our team," said Joe Burns, Chief Executive Officer of AIRO. "As the program moves into its most rigorous testing phase to date, we look forward to showcasing the operational effectiveness, reliability, and adaptability of our platform alongside the industry's leading innovators."

About AIRO Group Holdings, Inc.

AIRO Group Holdings is a next-generation aerospace and defense platform driving innovation across defense and commercial markets. Headquartered in McLean, VA, with operations in the U.S., Canada, and Denmark, AIRO combines a global reach with deep technical expertise. Through a vertically integrated model, AIRO delivers mission-critical solutions centered on its drone platforms, leveraging advanced avionics, integrated training

capabilities, and embedded autonomy across systems.

Forward-looking Statements

The statements contained in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. You can identify forward-looking statements because they contain words such as “believes,” “expects,” “may,” “will,” “should,” “seeks,” “intends,” “plans,” “estimates,” or “anticipates,” or similar expressions which concern our strategy, plans, projections or intentions. These forward-looking statements may be included throughout this press release and include, but are not limited to, the operational effectiveness, reliability, and adaptability of AIRO’s drone platform; and its applicability to the Drone Dominance 2.5 mission; and other statements that are not historical fact. By their nature, forward-looking statements are not statements of historical fact or guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, assumptions or changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict or quantify, including those described in the section titled “Risk Factors” in AIRO’s most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), as well as other filings AIRO may make with the SEC in the future. Forward-looking statements represent AIRO’s management’s beliefs and assumptions only as of the date such statements are made. AIRO undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements made in this press release to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this press release or to reflect new information or the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required by law.

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