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**CPI AERO ANNOUNCES \$600,000 PRODUCTION PROGRAM ORDER FROM MAJOR
AEROSPACE PRIME CONTRACTOR**

Edgewood, N.Y. (August 18, 2010) - CPI Aerostructures, Inc. ("CPI Aero®") (NYSE Amex: CVU) announced today that it has received a purchase order from a leading global aerospace and defense company to produce aircraft structural assemblies, valued at approximately \$600,000. Work on this order will commence immediately and deliveries are scheduled to occur during the first half of 2011.

About CPI Aero

CPI Aero is engaged in the contract production of structural and other aircraft parts for leading prime defense contractors, the U.S. Air Force, and other branches of the armed forces. In conjunction with its assembly operations, CPI Aero provides engineering, technical and program management services. Among the key programs that CPI Aero supplies are the E-2D Advanced Hawkeye surveillance aircraft, the UH-60 BLACK HAWK helicopter, the S-92® helicopter, the MH-60S mine countermeasure helicopter, the Gulfstream G650, C-5A Galaxy cargo jet, the T-38 Talon jet trainer, the A-10 Thunderbolt attack jet, and the E-3 Sentry AWACS jet. CPI Aero is included in the Russell Microcap® Index.

The above statements include forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, which are described from time to time in CPI Aero's SEC reports, including CPI Aero's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 and Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2010 and June 30, 2010.

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