

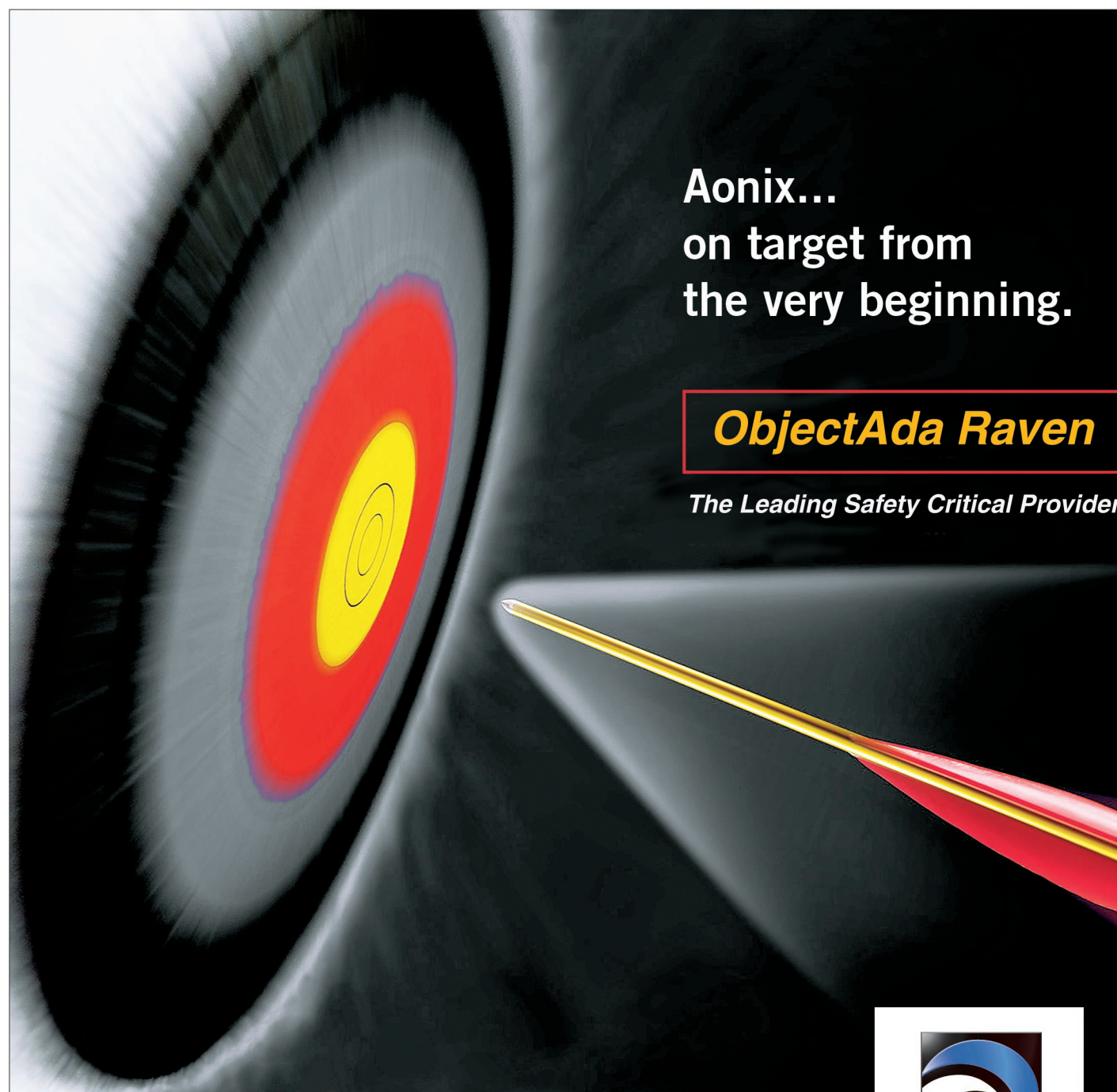
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Aonix, a member of the Gores Technology Group and a leading provider of Ada 95 software development environments and safety critical solutions, has announced that Pratt & Whitney has selected ObjectAda®/Raven™

for its next generation military jet engine program. Based on the successful completion of the commercial PW6000 engine program, Pratt & Whitney will use the Aonix ObjectAda/Raven product line on the JSF F-35 program for their F135-PW-100 jet engines.

“Pratt & Whitney originally selected the ObjectAda/Raven product for use on the PW6000, commercial jet engine program, in 1998 following an extensive evaluation. Aonix was selected for a variety of reasons including the usability of the tool set and the technical support that they

were able to provide,” states Bret Lynch, Manager, Real Time and Embedded Software for Pratt & Whitney. “The main discriminator, however, was the safety-critical domain experience of the company and their ability to meet the standards required for incorporation into a DO-178B Level-A software system.”



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The Pratt & Whitney certification was achieved at software Level A of RTCA's **DO-178B**, *Software Considerations in Airborne Systems and Equipment Certification*. Certification to **DO-178B** requires that all COTS software included in the product be certified to the same standard as the core product. ObjectAda/Raven meets this standard for Level-A systems.

Pratt & Whitney incorporated the full suite of lifecycle artifacts provided by Aonix within the overall engine-system software documentation set approved for certification by the Federal Aviation Administration. By using the ObjectAda / Raven product and associated documentation, Pratt & Whitney was able to focus development efforts on its core competency of engine-system software, while ensuring that the run time system portion of the product was developed and verified by experts in that domain. This approach reduced the schedule and technical risks associated with the program while also reducing development cost.

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