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### **Team RV Introduces the World's Largest Formation Twilight Show**

- Debut at Florida International Air Show March 23 -

(Gold Hill, NC) March 16, 2012 – On Friday, March 23, at the Florida International Air Show (FIAS) in Punta Gorda, Florida, Team RV will reveal its newest performance offering – a formation twilight show. Few formation teams in the air show industry offer this captivating aerial display. Team RV, with 12 aircraft, is the world's largest precision formation and formation aerobatic air show team.

After months of preparation, Team RV quietly divulged its readiness to a few select venues for a potential debut. FIAS organizer Bob Hall immediately added the act to its already-scheduled sponsor appreciation night show. "At sunset, with the incredible colors and night sky descending, these 12 pilots are going to paint an extraordinary picture in the sky. This is a great addition to our night program and it really ups the return for our sponsors," said Hall. "Not only is it great for us, but I have seen Team RV fly during the day, and it is exciting to watch. Their twilight performance will change the nature of night shows for many venues going forward." Hall is an international air show producer with more than 30 years of experience.

Team RV Flight Lead Mike "Kahuna" Stewart said this offering is possible only after months of lighting equipment testing and as a result of a sponsorship by Whelen Engineering. "We could not fly this show without Whelen Engineering. Their support of us is directly responsible for our ability to develop a safe and memorable light show," Stewart said. After equipment selection, the team entered a period of test flying, practice and Statement of Aerobatic Competency (SAC) card evaluations for night endorsements.

FIAS is hosting the night viewing on Friday as an appreciation event for the many sponsors and media who make it possible to produce this nationally recognized air show that benefits Southwest Florida charities. In the past 31 years, FIAS has raised more than \$2.5 million for local working charities.

Team RV launches at official sunset, 7:41 pm. All FIAS spectators can see Team RV fly in the main air show on Saturday and Sunday, March 24-25.

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