ConocoPhillips Aviation ends Bartlesville, OK operations

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ConocoPhillips Aviation (Houston Intc'l) terminated its corporate shuttle that connects Bartlesville, OK, with Houston Intc'l, Midland Int'l, TX, Carlsbad, NM, and Dickinson, ND, on March 1, 2021, in relation to the planned closure of its Bartlesville Labs subsidiary later this year, local media reported. In tandem with the move, the Texas-based oil giant will also return the management of Bartlesville airport to the municipality on September 1, 2021. The aerodrome does not see any commercial traffic. ConocoPhillips did not respond to chaviation's request for clarification as to whether the end of its Bartlesville shuttle would also entail the closure of its Lower 48 air unit. According to the FAA registry, the only aircraft operated by the subsidiary is EMB-135LR N1023C (msn 145550). ConocoPhillips confirmed to ch-aviation that the aircraft would be sold once the shuttle flights end. In statements to the local media, ConocoPhillips refused to disclose how many jobs would be affected due to the changes but said it did not expect its overall headcount in Bartlesville to change significantly. ConocoPhillips also owns an airline subsidiary in Alaska, ConocoPhillips Aviation Alaska (CON, Anchorage Ted Stevens), which continues to operate scheduled corporate shuttles in the state using a fleet of one DHC-6-300, one DHC-6-400, three DHC-8-Q400s, one CN-212, and two B737-700s (which are not used for its scheduled shuttles). The airline's scheduled shuttles run between Anchorage Ted Stevens, Alpine, and Kuparuk, according to its website.

