Team US101 Announces Eight Suppliers In Maryland And Virginia To Support Next Marine One Helicopter

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Team US101 has announced that eight companies in Maryland and Virginia will supply components to the American-built US101 medium-lift helicopter. Team US101 is competing to provide the president of the United States with a fleet of next-generation helicopters better known by the call sign: "Marine One."

"Companies from the Chesapeake Bay to the Shenandoah Valley are helping to make the US101 as American as the workers who will build it," said Stephen D. Ramsey, Lockheed Martin's US101 vice president and general manager.

The Maryland and Virginia-based companies that will supply components for the US101 helicopter are:

ALCOA Howmet Castings Hampton, VA

Cryptek Sterling, VA

Cytec Engineered Materials, Inc. Havre de Grace, MD

Mac Machine Baltimore, MD

MIL-SPEC Fasteners Corp. Hampstead, MD
Moog Components Group Blacksburg, VA
Perkinelmer Fluid Sciences - Pressure Science Products Beltsville, MD

W.L. Gore & Associates, Inc. Elkton, MD

Team US101 is recognizing these suppliers at this time for their continuous support during the very rigorous Presidential Helicopter Replacement (or VXX) competition. Meanwhile, Team US101 continues to conduct risk reduction efforts prior to the U.S. Navy's VXX award announcement, which is expected during December.

"Mac Machine is pleased to provide machined engine components to the US101 helicopter," said George McNab, president of Mac Machine in Baltimore. "The US101, powered by three engines for increased safety, means more business for our company and work for our employees."

These eight Maryland and Virginia-based suppliers are among the more than 200 suppliers in 41 states chosen to support Team US101 with key products and services necessary for the president's new Marine One helicopter fleet. Other leading American companies on Team US101 include General Electric, ITT, Northrop Grumman, Kaman Aerospace and Palomar Products. During the course of the helicopter fleet's operational service life, 90 percent of the total life cycle costs will flow to Team US101's American suppliers, creating and sustaining thousands of jobs nationwide while building these new Marine One helicopters.

Team US101 is led by Lockheed Martin Systems Integration -- Owego, which serves as the prime contractor and systems integrator for the American-built US101 aircraft, an American variant of AgustaWestland's successful EH101 multimission helicopter. The US101 team collectively brings unmatched rotorcraft expertise and experience to this program: Lockheed Martin (prime contractor and systems integration), AgustaWestland (aircraft design) and Bell Helicopter (aircraft production), while General Electric will supply each helicopter's three CT7-8E engines.

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