Jingcheng Contracts For 2nd S-92® Helicopter

TIANJIN, China -

Sikorsky Aircraft today announced that Yunnan Jingcheng Group has signed a contract to purchase an S-92® helicopter for use in transporting corporate and government VIPs. Sikorsky is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX).

Yunnan Jingcheng Group recently received Chinese government approval to establish a general aviation company named the Ruili Helicopter Group. The new S-92 helicopter will become the second operated by Jingcheng, after the first was ordered in 2012 and delivered in June 2013.

The newly ordered S-92 helicopter is scheduled for delivery in November 2015.

"Jingcheng is a new and already growing customer. We are excited to be able to support their expansion and are working closely to help ensure a smooth start to their operations by providing initial technical support on site," said Ed Beyer, Vice President of Sikorsky Global Helicopters, the commercial aircraft business of Sikorsky Aircraft.

The multi-mission S-92 helicopter incorporates numerous safety features, including a flaw-tolerant design. The aircraft was certified to FAA/EASA harmonized Part 29 requirements, as amended through Amendment 47, and remains the only aircraft certified to this rigorous airworthiness standard without exception or waiver.

Sikorsky will deliver its 200th S-92 helicopter this year. The global fleet is currently approaching 590,000 flight hours. Among the missions performed by the S-92 helicopter are offshore oil worker transportation, Head of State transport, search and rescue operations, and airline service.

Jingcheng also purchased a new Sikorsky S-76D™ helicopter in September 2012 for delivery in December 2013.

The S-76D helicopter received FAA certification in 2012 and is the latest in the family of popular Sikorsky's S-76® helicopters. More than 800 S-76 helicopters in the global fleet have accumulated 6.2 million flight hours during three decades of operation.

Designed for safety, reliability and efficiency, the S-76D helicopter features all-composite, flaw-tolerant main rotor blades; a fully integrated THALES glass cockpit; health and usage monitoring system; active vibration control; and powerful Pratt & Whitney Canada PW210S engines, which deliver the best in class power-to-weight ratio and fuel burn with excellent payload and range benefits.

Sikorsky Aircraft, based in Stratford, Conn., is a world leader in helicopter design, manufacture and service. United Technologies Corp., based in Hartford, Conn., provides a broad range of high technology products and support services to the aerospace and building systems industries.

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