## AAG Maintains IS-BAO<sup>™</sup> Stage 3 Registration



WAPPINGERS FALLS, New York – Associated Aircraft Group (AAG), the East Coast's premier executive Sikorsky S-76®, helicopter service, is proud to announce that it has once again achieved a Stage 3 IS-BAO<sup>™</sup> (International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations) Registration, demonstrating an ongoing commitment to safety. AAG is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin company (NYSE: LMT).

The International Business Aviation Council (IBAC) introduced the IS-BAO program in 2002 to promote the use of industry best practices. The IS-BAO is a voluntary standard that represents a code of adherence to these practices. The IS-BAO identifies the stages of Safety Management System (SMS) development to ensure program maintenance and progress. A Stage 3 Registration is the highest level of SMS achievement recognized.

"Continuing to maintain the Stage 3 IS-BAO Registration further validates AAG's commitment to the safety of our customers, our aircraft and our personnel" said AAG President and General Manager John Gow. "We continuously develop all aspects of our SMS to identify and mitigate operational risks, improve our safety culture and utilize effective tools to improve the safety performance of our operations, scheduling and maintenance departments."

## About AAG:

AAG, a subsidiary of Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin company has flown more than 65,000 safe flying hours and has over 30 years of experience providing helicopter charter, fractional ownership, and helicopter maintenance services from its New York, Teterboro, Bridgeport, Providence and Philadelphia installations. With the Northeast's largest fleet of S-76 helicopters, AAG is the only VIP helicopter company to own and operate its own FAA Part 145 maintenance facility and is a Sikorsky Authorized Customer Support Center. AAG has earned the Wyvern Wingman status, the ARG/US Platinum rating, the ACSF IAS Registry and the IS-BAO Stage 3 Registration as hallmarks of AAG's commitment to safety. AAG is also approved for DCA operations under the DASSP

## **About Lockheed Martin:**

Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs approximately 110,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services.

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