

Phoenix Heli-Flight Acquires New H130

Airbus Helicopters Canada delivers the first utility configured H130 in North America

- H130 Helicopter is ideally suited for utility missions
- Phoenix Heli – Flight upgrades their fleet with new H130

Louisville, KY 1 March 2016 – Following a successful Canadian demonstration tour, the first utility configured H130 aircraft is acquired by Phoenix Heli-Flight.

Phoenix Heli-Flight, a charter helicopter company operating out of Fort McMurray, Alberta, Canada, is a privately owned company known to be a regional leader, providing modern, new aircraft which enables Phoenix to supply innovative solutions to all of their client's aviation needs.

“After having the opportunity to demo the H130 aircraft, I knew that this aircraft was a natural evolution for us from the EC130B4. The B4 is an outstanding machine with state of the art technologies” says Paul Spring, President of Phoenix Heli-Flight “but the H130 with this specifically designed utility package will enable us to better serve our clients with increased and elevated level of safety, efficiency and reliability”.

Phoenix Heli-Flight services a wide variety of industries including exploration, wildlife surveys, utilities, oil and gas, forestry, construction, infrastructure maintenance, corporate transport, general transportation of personnel, freight and wildfire suppression and helicopter emergency medical services to the Fort McMurray and the Wood Buffalo areas.

“Phoenix Heli-Flight has amassed a reputation for excellent service and responsiveness throughout the region by continuously providing quality products and service” said Mr. Romain Trapp, CEO of Airbus Helicopters Canada. “Phoenix Heli-Flight's missions are Airbus Helicopters' missions and we look forward to supporting and assisting them with their future business objectives.”

The versatile H130 is ideally suited for utility operations; the helicopter offers many possibilities for operators thanks to its wide, unobstructed flat-floor cabin that is able to accommodate an array of equipment providing outstanding mission flexibility. The Airbus Helicopters specially designed utility package for the H130 is equipped with numerous Airbus Helicopters STC's such as the cargo mirrors, a cargo sling, cargo pods, and longline controller (50 amp).

With the latest aircraft technology and enhanced safety features, the H130 is a reference for challenging missions. Equipped with a VEMD the pilot is able to concentrate on the mission and improving flight safety. The trademarked Fenestron: which increases efficiency, provides a very low noise signature, and a high level of safety for ground personnel. Energy-absorbing seats are standard for the crew and passengers.

The H130's simple design, use of composite materials and the experience drawn from the proven Ecureuil family all contribute to reduced maintenance costs and make this helicopter a key member of the Airbus Helicopters' Ecureuil family.

Visit the Airbus Helicopter stand #9651 to learn more about the H130 and Airbus Helicopter Canada's STC's (<http://www.airbushelicopters.ca/support-services/optional-equipment/h130/>).

About Phoenix Heli-Flight Inc.

Phoenix Heli-Flight Inc. is a charter helicopter company located in Fort McMurray, Alberta, that has been in operation for over 25 years. Phoenix Heli-Flight operates a fleet of ten Airbus Helicopters manufactured aircraft, both single and twin turbine engine light helicopters. The company prides itself in offering newer and low time aircraft to their clients. Phoenix Heli-Flight services a wide variety of industries ranging from utilities to Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in the Ft. McMurray and surrounding area. Phoenix Heli-Flight is headquartered in a modern well-appointed facility. Phoenix's hangers/office is located at the Fort McMurray Airport with 40,000 square feet and houses all maintenance, aircraft storage, spare parts and training.

About Airbus Helicopters Canada (www.airbushelicopters.ca)

Airbus Helicopters Canada is a subsidiary of Airbus Helicopters and a leading supplier of helicopters in Canada. Our helicopters are used across the country in key parapublic and civil roles which include: law enforcement, emergency medical services, oil & gas, mining, firefighting, hydroelectric utilities, environmental surveys, tour and corporate transport. Airbus Helicopters was established in Fort Erie, Ontario in 1984 and has additional operations in Richmond, British Columbia and Mirabel, Quebec as well as a support and customer service network in place to support a fleet of over 690 helicopters in the country. The company recently celebrated over 30 years of success in Canada.

About Airbus Helicopters (www.airbushelicopters.com)

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