

Kaman's HeliworX Delivers Solid Support to an Industry in Need

BLOOMFIELD, Conn., Feb. 28, 2007 — As demand for helicopters continues to exceed production capability, the biggest names in aerospace are finding the comprehensive support services they need in a seemingly unlikely place — Bloomfield, Conn., home of Kaman Aerospace. Long known for producing hard-working helicopters like the Seasprite and K-MAX, the company's Helicopters Division now is expanding its focus and leveraging its depth of helicopter experience to meet the growing need for value-added engineering, manufacturing, and integration services.

HeliworX™, the Division's 300,000 square-foot rotorcraft innovation and manufacturing support center, has the existing rotorcraft infrastructure that only a helicopter OEM can offer, specific experience, capability, and capacity to deliver high quality vertical flight solutions to the world's prime helicopter manufacturers, according to Sal Bordonaro, president of the Helicopters Division. "From all-composite rotors to airframe integration and installations, HeliworX brings a new level of competence to America's rotorcraft supply chain," Bordonaro said. "The primes know they can count on Kaman to deliver the products they need and the quality they expect for a value-added solution."

Kaman's HeliworX delivers a multitude of military and commercial components and has the ability to design, test, certify, and deliver complete helicopters, major metal and composite assemblies, complex components, and subassemblies.

Notable products and customers include:

- Rotor Systems for MD Explorer helicopters
- The Aerial Refueling Probe, selected by Boeing as equipment for CSAR-X.
- Repair and overhaul of all composite rotor blades for Bell Helicopters' single-engine Cobra.
- Turnkey design and production support of a Type One Exit and Air Stair doors for AgustaWestland's U.S. 101 Presidential Helicopter.
- The U-MARK Unit Aerial Recovery Kit for the U.S. Army
- Rotor Blade Erosion Protection Systems; test and application

With invaluable rotorcraft experience that extends to all disciplines, from engineering to the factory floor, HeliworX offers highly competitive pricing when compared to non-specialized providers, Bordonaro said. "Top people are ready for your job from day one. We've eliminated the learning curve — our qualified team adds value every step of the way."

Kaman Aerospace Corp. is part of the Aerospace segment of Kaman Corp. (NASDAQ:KAMN) of Bloomfield, Conn. The Aerospace segment markets and supports the SH-2G and K-MAX helicopters, is a subcontractor for aircraft structures and components, designs and manufactures safe, arm and fuzing devices for bomb and missile systems, and is a leading manufacturer of specialty bearings for commercial and military aircraft.

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