



News from MD Helicopters

MD Helicopters at Heli-Expo in Houston February 21 - 23

Mesa, Arizona, February 20, 2010... MD Helicopters, Inc. (MDHI) will display two helicopters in Booth 3841 at Heli-Expo being held February 21 -23 in the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas.

MD Helicopters' Chief Executive Officer, Lynn Tilton, and President, Robert Molsbergen will be on site along with other representatives from the company. Lynn Tilton will hold a press conference, which is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Sunday, February 21, at the convention center in rooms 381B&C.

On display in the MD Helicopters, Inc. booth will be the Houston Police Air Support Division's new MD 500E[®] which was delivered in October to complete their fleet of 10 MD 500E helicopters and an MD Explorer[®]. MDHI will conduct technical briefings on Sunday the 21st from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please check the conference schedule for the location.

MD Helicopters' products are known throughout the world for their ability to serve a wide variety of rotorcraft market segments. MD's class-leading helicopters offer responsive agility, versatility, safety, performance and economic value. Operators worldwide turn to MD Helicopters, Inc. for the advantage of high performance rotorcraft backed by a company with a passion for service.

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About MD Helicopters, Inc.

MD Helicopters, Inc., is a leading manufacturer of commercial and military helicopters. The MDHI family of rotorcraft is world renowned for its value, versatility and performance. The MD Helicopters family includes the twin-engine MD Explorer[®], and single engine versions of the MD 600N[®], MD 520N[®], MD 500E[®] and MD 530F[®]. The NOTAR[®] system for anti-torque control is used exclusively by MD Helicopters. The Company is based in Mesa, Ariz. For more information about MDHI visit <http://www.mdhelicopters.com> .

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