THAI AVIATION SERVICES S-76D FLEET ACHIEVES 10,000 FLIGHT HOURS

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Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin company, announced that Thai Aviation Services has accumulated 10,000 flight hours on its S-76D™ fleet in record time of less than two years.

This milestone was achieved just a few months after TAS began operating as Sikorsky's first Customer Support Center in Thailand.

"We genuinely value the trust and confidence Thai Aviation Services has demonstrated in Sikorsky products over the past three decades," said Audrey Brady, Sikorsky vice president of Commercial Systems & Services. "Sikorsky is extremely proud to provide TAS with safe, reliable aircraft to support such a high operational tempo with first-rate availability."

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TAS operates a total of eight Sikorsky helicopters, including five S-76D medium-lift helicopters, two S-92® heavy lift helicopters and one S-76C++™ helicopter. TAS has conducted its offshore operations for oil and gas producing companies for 30 years, utilizing Sikorsky helicopters exclusively.

Since 1977, Sikorsky has delivered more than 875 S-76® helicopters to customers around the world. The offshore oil transportation mission accounts for 65 percent of the more than 7.25 million hours flown by the entire Sikorsky S-76 fleet. The S-76 line of helicopters is also well-known for high reliability with VIP transportation and utility work, search and rescue operations and helicopter air ambulance transportation.

TAS is also forecasting that the flight of its 100,000th S-76D revenue passenger will occur later this fall.

About Lockheed Martin

Headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland, Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs approximately 100,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. This year the company received three Edison Awards for ground-breaking innovations in autonomy, satellite technology and directed energy.

About Thai Aviation Services

Thai Aviation Services Ltd., (TAS) is a privately-owned Air Operator Certificate holder registered in Thailand. For the past three decades, TAS has been playing a significant role as an air operator providing helicopter service for offshore operations to the oil and gas producing companies throughout the region. TAS currently operates eight Sikorsky aircraft in its fleet, and has over 70 pilots and 60 aircraft engineers along with other professional and experienced management personnel.

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