

EagleMed Continues Expansion with Purchase of AS350s from American Eurocopter

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Today, at the ILA Berlin Airshow 2012, American Eurocopter announced that EagleMed LLC, one of the oldest and most experienced air medical transport service providers in the Midwest United States, has purchased an AS350[®] B2 and an AS350 B3. The aircraft will join EagleMed's all-Eurocopter rotor wing fleet and will be utilized to service growth opportunities within the company's eight-state service area.

"We chose the AS350 line as the base of our fleet because these aircraft have proven to be extremely reliable," explained Larry Bugg, President, EagleMed LLC. "Our AS350 helicopters give us the performance and flexibility we need to deliver the best patient care for our mission, critical transports."

The AS350 AStar[®] family of helicopters has been a stalwart platform in the United States and throughout the world. It continues to gain popularity in the U.S. air medical industry because it provides performance, reliability and versatility combined with low operating costs.

"We are eager to continue our support of the team at EagleMed and its growth efforts. Its commitment to the AS350 reflects the growing popularity of the AStar family for the U.S. air medical mission," said Treg Manning, Vice President, Commercial Sales, American Eurocopter. "These aircraft are dependable and versatile with the high performance to support air medical missions with fully-equipped configurations like EagleMed's."

EagleMed operates an extensive fleet of Beechcraft King Air fixed wing and Eurocopter AStar rotor wing aircraft. These newest AStars are being completed by Metro Aviation. All the company's aircraft are completely configured for mission critical transports and medically equipped to transform the aircraft into "flying ICUs."

EagleMed is a privately-owned and operated critical care air medical service provider that was founded in 1982. Based in Wichita, Kansas, the company operates 25 aircraft servicing a eight-state area in the Midwest. It gained accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Services in 2000, and since August 2009, EagleMed LLC has been operated as a subsidiary of Air Medical Group Holdings Inc.

**Visit Eurocopter at the ILA Berlin Air Show both in the HeliCenter (Hall 3, Booth 3636)
and in the EADS Pavilion. For current news and pictures from the air show, go to:
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About American Eurocopter

American Eurocopter is the U.S. affiliate of Eurocopter, the largest helicopter manufacturer in the world, and a subsidiary of EADS North America Holdings, the North American operations of EADS, the second largest aerospace and defense company in the world. American Eurocopter is a helicopter manufacturer and markets, sells and supports the broadest range of civil and parapublic helicopters offered by any manufacturer. The product line represents the most cost-effective, technologically-advanced helicopters, ranging from light single to heavy twin, serving all markets and missions. Company headquarters and main facility are in Grand Prairie, TX, with a large manufacturing and production facility in Columbus, MS.

About Eurocopter

Established in 1992, the Franco-German-Spanish Eurocopter Group is a division of EADS, a world leader in aerospace and defense-related services. The Eurocopter Group employs approximately 20,000 people. In 2011, Eurocopter confirmed its position as the world's number one helicopter manufacturer with a turnover of 5.4 billion Euros, orders for 457 new helicopters and a 43 percent market share in the civil and parapublic sectors. Overall, the Group's helicopters account for 33 percent of the worldwide civil and parapublic fleet. Eurocopter's strong international presence is ensured by its subsidiaries and participations in 21 countries. Eurocopter's worldwide network of service centers, training facilities, distributors and certified agents supports some 2,900 customers. There are currently more than 11,300 Eurocopter helicopters in service in 149 countries. Eurocopter offers the most comprehensive civil and military helicopter range in the world and is fully committed to safety as the most important aspect of its business.

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