

## **Vancouver Island Company Opens Major Helicopter Repair Facility**

Hayes Helicopter Services Limited has opened a new 13,000 square foot shop facility for specialized maintenance of Sikorsky S61 and Bell 206 series helicopters.

The Hayes Component and Airframe Overhaul Facility, located in Duncan, British Columbia, Canada, is fly-in accessible and offers state-of-the-art equipment and extensive inventories. Hayes provides the overhaul and repair of all components, airframes and airframe systems for each aircraft type.

“Aviation is a growing area, and we’ve created a first-class facility to service both commercial and military helicopters,” says Donald P. Hayes, President of Hayes Helicopter Services Limited. “Our maintenance staff is highly experienced in servicing Sikorsky and Bell helicopters, so we can respond to the scheduling demands of our customers and provide the highest level of quality.”

There are more than 100 commercial Sikorsky S61 helicopters worldwide, involved in logging, firefighting, construction, offshore drilling support and passenger service. There are an estimated 700 military Sikorsky S61s. The annual global helicopter repair market is a \$50 billion industry. As a fly-in facility, the Hayes Component and Airframe Overhaul Facility is poised to serve the large market in the Pacific Northwest as well as customers from around the world.

“Downtime for these helicopters can cost owners as much as \$50,000 a day,” says Martin Kamma, Manager, Aviation for Hayes. “We offer customers a first-class facility with effective systems, a reputation for excellent service and an outstanding staff.”

Hayes has attracted a highly experienced team for their Component and Airframe Overhaul Facility. Component Shop Supervisor Jeremy Brown has 14 years of S61 component overhaul experience, and most of the Company’s maintenance personnel have chosen to work exclusively in the S61 and Bell community.

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Hayes Helicopter Services Limited is a division of Hayes Forest Services Limited, a leader in the BC forest industry. In addition to a broad base of other forest services, the Company operates three Sikorsky S61s and two Bell 206s for heli-logging, fire-fighting and construction.

“As both an overhaul facility and a helicopter operator, our Company fully understands the needs of our customers,” says Company President Donald P. Hayes. “We take pride in our attention to detail, and we have a system in place to handle any size job.”

Recognized in 2001 as one of “Canada’s 50 Best Managed Companies”, Hayes is the leading forest services provider in British Columbia. With the broadest service offering in the industry, Hayes has been known for innovation and integrity since 1922. Based in Duncan, British Columbia, Hayes continues to be privately held by the Hayes family.

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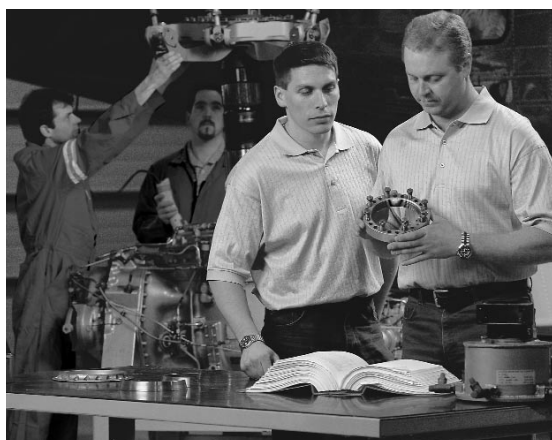
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- > HAYES COMPONENT SHOP ASSEMBLY ROOM  
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- > JEREMY BROWN (L) AND MARTIN KAMMA (R)  
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