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Aurora Flight Sciences to Supply Composite Structures to Bell Helicopter's 525 Relentless

Manassas, VA, July 14, 2014 – Aurora Flight Sciences announced from the Farnborough Air Show that they have been selected by Bell Helicopter to manufacture composite airframe structures as part of the Bell 525 Relentless™ helicopter program.

The composite fairings of the Bell 525's main engine cowling section will be manufactured and assembled at Aurora's Bridgeport, West Virginia facility. Aurora will work directly with the Bell Helicopter team to meet challenging schedule and production rate requirements.

"Aurora is pleased to be a part of the Bell Helicopter 525 Relentless team," said Mark Cherry, Aurora's President and Chief Operating Officer. "Aurora's production capabilities and expertise in composite manufacturing were key discriminators in Bell Helicopter's decision to choose Aurora for this exciting program."

The Bell 525 Relentless is a step change in safety and reliability and offer best-in-class performance capabilities. Its unrivaled configuration flexibility allows for up to 20 passengers and cruise distances of 500 nautical miles, making it the ideal platform for offshore deep-water, search and rescue and VIP missions.

About Aurora Flight Sciences

Aurora Flight Sciences designs and manufactures large composite structures for defense and commercial aerospace applications. Aurora is headquartered in Manassas, VA and operates production plants in Bridgeport, WV and Columbus, MS and a Research and Development Center in Cambridge, MA. To view recent press releases and more about Aurora please visit our web site at www.aurora.aero.

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