



A **HEICO** COMPANY

800 WEST CARVER ROAD, SUITE 101
TEMPE, ARIZONA 85284
(480) 337-7050 • FAX (480) 968-3019
E-MAIL info@robbietanks.com

ROBERTSON ADVANCES DEVELOPMENT OF CRASH-RESISTANT PRIMARY FUEL SYSTEM FOR AS350; MULTIPLE SYSTEMS ON DISPLAY AT HELI-EXPO 2016

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 29, 2016 – Robertson Fuel Systems (RFS), a HEICO Company and renowned provider of military-grade fuel systems, is finalizing development of its first fuel system for civil rotorcraft. The company, which has been developing the system with Vector Aerospace, will begin flight testing its Crash-Resistant Primary Fuel System (CRPFS) for AS350 helicopters this summer. Production would begin this fall.

“Robertson Fuel Systems has spent more than 40 years developing and perfecting military-grade auxiliary fuel systems for a variety of combat vertical-lift aircraft,” said Chief Executive Officer Newman Shufflebarger. “Our expertise as a global leader is enabling Robertson to transfer that knowledge to the civil market, where superior crash-resistant fuel tanks will make meaningful contributions to enhanced safety.”

The company will showcase its AS350 CRPFS at Heli-Expo Exhibit 8739, where RFS experts will be available to discuss the next-generation of safer crash-resistant civil fuel tanks for primary and auxiliary use. A second AS350 system will be shown at Vector Aerospace (Exhibit 7556). RFS products will also be displayed on two UH-60 BLACK HAWK helicopters in Exhibits 10760 and 12636.

The CRPFS is designed as a direct replacement for legacy systems in the AS350/EC130 series aircraft. The unique system features magneto resistive fuel quality transmitters and other innovations to keep the high-density polyethylene (HDPE) tank from being compromised in the event of an accident.

“Civil aviation isn’t concerned with ballistic tolerance, but preventing damage caused by accidents or other conditions concerns everyone,” Shufflebarger said. “We’re trying to make flying safer for everyone and our goal is within reach.”

About Robertson Fuel Systems

Robertson Fuel Systems, a HEICO Company based in Tempe, Arizona, designs, develops, produces and sustains primary and auxiliary fuel systems for military and civil applications. [HEICO Corporation](#) is a New York Stock Exchange listed company (NYSE: HEI and HEI.A). The company’s technology-driven and electronics products have been used for aerospace, industrial, and defense industries for more than 55 years.



A **HEICO** COMPANY

800 WEST CARVER ROAD, SUITE 101
TEMPE, ARIZONA 85284
(480) 337-7050 • FAX (480) 968-3019
E-MAIL info@robbietanks.com

Editor's Note: This release specifically and accurately references the AS350 and not the H125. The new H125 nomenclature applies only to what was formerly known as the AS350 B3e.

#

Contact:
Robert (Chip) Lunn, Director of Aviation Programs
(480) 337-8801
chip.lunn@robbietanks.com