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VHA Announces STC/PMA Certification of Aftermarket UH-1H Huey Tail Rotor Blade

TEMPE, Ariz., May 31, 2007 – Van Horn Aviation (VHA) today announced availability of its aftermarket UH-1H Huey tail rotor blade. The all-new composite tail rotor blade for the Garlick UH-1H Huey received FAA Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) SR02051LA on May 24, 2007 and Parts Manufacturing Authorization (PMA) on May 31. Additional STC/PMA certifications for other UH-1H models are being pursued.

“The STC/PMA certification is the culmination of more than two years of design, testing, and manufacturing set up,” said VHA President James Van Horn. “We completed all of the computer-aided design, flight testing and fatigue testing in-house.”

VHA’s composite tail rotor blade features a carbon fiber spar and skin, fiberglass root fittings, and a stainless steel abrasion strip. Using advanced carbon fiber construction techniques results in a lighter but stronger rotor blade with a 2,400-hour life, which is double the life of the OEM tail rotor blade. The VHA rotor blade also takes advantage of a more efficient airfoil design and is nearly one inch wider than the current OEM blade.

“We are confident that our customers will find our rotor blade to be superior to what’s already on the market,” said Van Horn.

The VHA tail rotor blade requires no modification to the tail rotor hub for installation. List pricing for VHA’s UH-1H tail rotor blade is \$10,500 per blade.

For more information, call +1 480.483.4202 or visit www.vanhornaviation.com.

Based in Tempe, Ariz., Van Horn Aviation specializes in the design, certification and manufacturing of aftermarket dynamic components for various rotorcraft. In addition to receiving STC/PMA certification on the UH-1H tail rotor blade, VHA is currently in partnership with Los Angeles-based Helicopter Technology Company to certify and manufacture an aftermarket UH-1H main rotor blade.