



## **Metro Aviation announces EC145e Early Market Introduction Offer**

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When Metro Aviation committed to the purchase of six Airbus Helicopters EC145e's in 2015, it became the first worldwide customer for the new lighter weight and lower cost version of the successful Airbus EC145, as well as one of the few companies allowed to directly sell the aircraft. Now, the world's largest air medical completion center is announcing an Early Market Introduction offer for others interested in the increased productivity and economic value the EC145e can bring to a helicopter fleet.

"We strongly believe in this product and are offering \$10,000 cash back for the next five completion contracts on the EC145e," says Metro Aviation Managing Director Milton Geltz. It is an attractive offer for an attractive aircraft that boasts an increased useful load of up to 330 lbs. while keeping the same 7,902 lbs. maximum takeoff weight as the EC145 C2 variant.

Combining the well-known features of the EC145, such as the large cabin and reliability, with the benefits of a simplified avionics system and dedicated mission equipment, the affordable and light twin helicopter is well suited for air medical, law enforcement, utility, offshore oil & gas and other missions. The EC145e includes a Single Pilot VFR glass cockpit featuring the Garmin G500H and GTN 650 GPS and communication system. The aircraft can seat up to 11 passengers, based on the chosen configuration. Metro is also working toward certification for HeliSAS autopilot and dual-pilot IFR systems.

Both the Federal Aviation Administration and the European Aviation Safety Agency have certified the EC145e. The aircraft will be on display during HELI-EXPO 2016 at the Metro Aviation Booth, #9337, March 1-3.

**About Metro Aviation:**

Metro Aviation, Inc., based in Shreveport, Louisiana, United States is a worldwide provider of completion services for all missions and types of helicopters and specializes in the EC135 and EC145 with several Supplemental Type Certificates (STC) developed by the company for these and other aircraft. Metro is an FAA approved repair station, approved Airbus (Eurocopter) Service Center and FAR Part 135 air medical operations provider at several locations across the United States. The company is privately held and is one of the largest traditional air medical providers in the country. For additional information regarding Metro Aviation, Inc. and any of its products or services, please contact Kristen King Holmes at 318.698.5200 or [kking@metroaviation.com](mailto:kking@metroaviation.com).