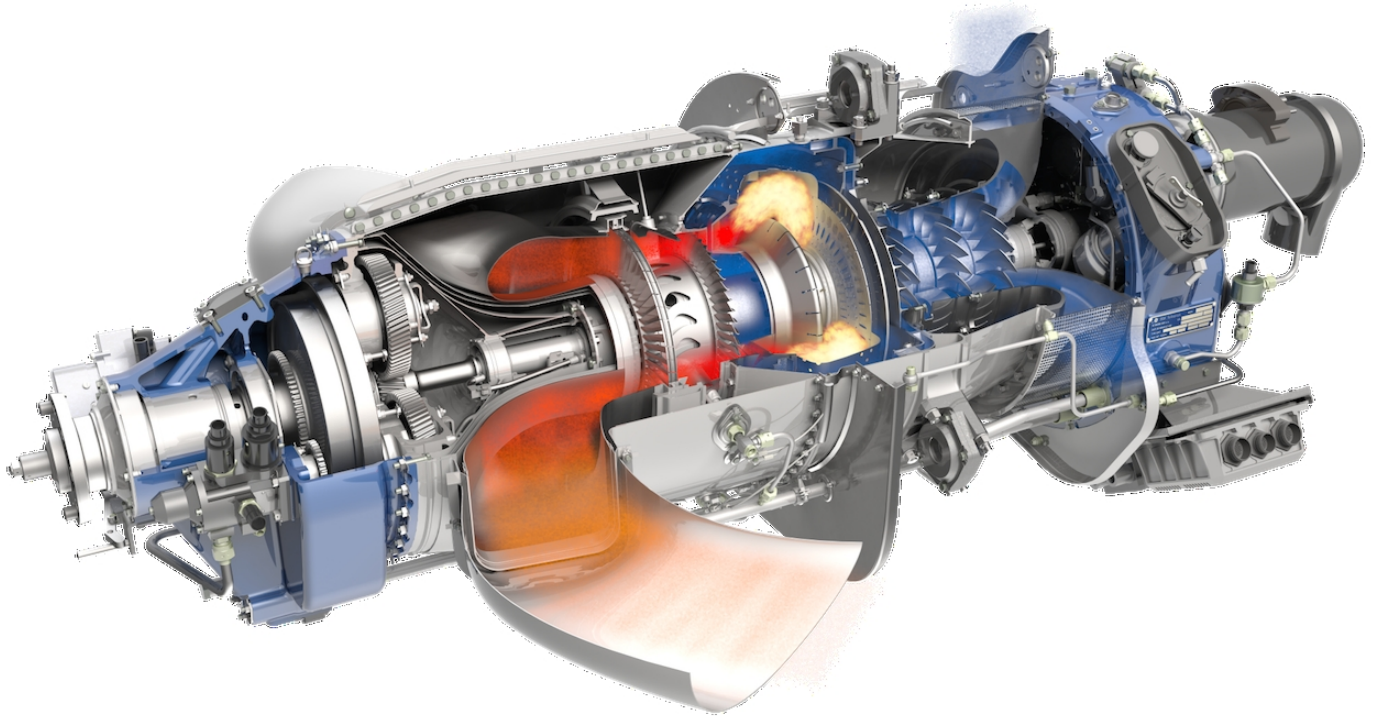




UWCA TO BECOME NEW RUSSIAN-BASED GE H SERIES AUTHORIZED SERVICE CENTER

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Ural Works of Civil Aviation (UWCA), of Ekaterinburg, Russia, signed an agreement with GE Aviation to become an H Series Authorized Service Center (ASC). UWCA will provide MRO services including line maintenance, training and on-wing heavy repairs on GE H Series turboprop engines from their home location.

UWCA and GE Aviation Czech plan to build synergies across the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) turboprop market. The two companies will partner in extending localized, on-site heavy repair capabilities including test cells to develop a first overhaul service center for GE turboprop engines in the region.

The unique design of the GE turboprop H-Series engine targets the most severe environments and remote areas of Russia, e.g. Siberia, Far East Asia and the Kamchatka Peninsula. GE celebrated its 300th H-Series engine manufactured this year. The new generation H-Series and M601 engines have received recognition from customers worldwide, including Russia.

This strategic collaboration unifies two key business elements, putting customer know-how and the state-of-the art technology at the center of the business.

“With thousands of engines operating worldwide, we are enhancing customer support and customized in-region capabilities that streamline customers’ operation and keep them flying. Due to Russia’s vast amount of remote territory, unique infrastructure and focus in developing domestic connectivity, the country represents a great opportunity for growing the business and general aviation market where GE-powered aircraft plays an important role,” said Michele D’Ercole, President & Managing Executive of GE Aviation's Business & General Aviation Turboprops.

GE Aviation H-Series engines simplify maintenance by eliminating the need for recurrent fuel nozzle maintenance and periodic hot section inspections. The GE H Series eases pilot workload and enhances value and operability with a standard auto start and limiting unit for ground operation, along with a linear throttle response. The H Series turboprop family incorporates GE's 3-D aerodynamic design and advanced materials to get a powerful, fuel-efficient, durable engine.

These technologies deliver more shaft horsepower, improve engine fuel efficiency and provide increased temperature margin, significantly enhancing hot-day takeoff performance and high-altitude cruise speeds. The H Series turboprop serves a multitude of uses: commuter, agricultural, business turboprops and utility aircraft.

Ural Works of Civil Aviation, JSC, is one of the largest aviation MRO service providers in Russia. Boasting more than 75 years of existence, UWCA cemented its leadership and reputation in the industry through persistent update of maintenance and overhaul methods and techniques, continuous development and adoption of new manufacturing processes, broadening its range of services.

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