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Subject: Precision Appointed as MD Service Center

Precision Helicopter Services has expanded its business with an agreement to offer authorized repair service for MD helicopters as an MD Service Center.

The appointment allows the Newberg-based aviation firm to join Evergreen Aviation of McMinnville as a repair center for the helicopters serving the greater Portland area.



“We were just approved one week ago.” said company owner Dennis Sturdevant. “We’ve operated and maintained MD helicopters for several years, but we’re happy to be in an official Service Center.”

Precision currently offers repair services for the Schweizer and American Eurocopter brands, and adding MD has rounded out the company’s service department, he said.

“Precision started out in 1983 and servicing our own aircraft was a necessity from the beginning,” Sturdevant said. “As our clientele grew, we started taking on outside work.”

The company owns three MD helicopters, and services 20 that are owned by others. All require frequent inspections under FAA safety regulations.

“They’re brought in every 100 flight hours as well as every 12 months,” Sturdevant said, “We try to arrange the maintenance schedule so they can fly in for regular maintenance. If someone gets stranded, we can send a team to repair the craft in the field, or trailer it in, but that’s a rare occasion.”

Precision’s staff of four maintenance technicians will rotate through a MD training course at the company’s plant in Mesa, Arizona.

In addition to warranty work, the technicians will also offer custom work for clients.

“We also may get in some older machines we want to refurbish for sale – adding new paint, windows and so on.”