

PRESS RELEASE

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AIRWORK (NZ) LTD orders it's 100th LTS101-850B-2 engine.

Airwork recently ordered its 100th LTS101-850B-2 engine from Honeywell which is a fantastic achievement for the joint venture project that started between Honeywell and Airwork in 2009. The 850B-2 engines are installed into the BK117-B2 providing an impressive upgrade to the aircraft performance and capability. Airwork brands the upgraded aircraft as the BK117-850D2.

The Airwork and Honeywell joint venture program was created to provide BK117 operators an economical way to meet Category A / Class 1 requirements while dramatically enhancing the performance, safety and capabilities of the helicopter. The LTS101-850B-2 engine upgrade provides an economic light twin engine helicopter punching above its weight.

With the 850B-2 engines fitted and the BK117's high maneuverability, the BK117-850D2 is the perfect choice across a multitude of Utility roles encompassing lifting, power line work, fire-fighting, seismic, OGP support and passenger transport.

The demand for the BK117-850D2 is proving strong with helicopter operators with more than forty seven flying today. We continue to see the program being extremely successful into the future.

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