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Helitak Fire fighting Equipment Opens New Production Facility in California to Meet Demand for UH-60 Fire Tank



March 13, 2025 – Dallas, TX – Helitak Fire fighting Equipment, a leading manufacturer of advanced aerial fire fighting systems, is proud to announce the opening of a second production facility in Camarillo, California. Previously serving as a service center and parts distribution hub for North American customers, the facility will now begin manufacturing the UH-60 Fire Tank model number FT4500. This expansion is a strategic response to the increasing demand for the FT4500 system, which has gained widespread adoption by commercial operators worldwide.

“As wildfires continue to pose an increasing threat across the globe, the demand for our innovative fire fighting solutions has grown exponentially,” said Jason Schellaars, CEO of Helitak Fire fighting Equipment. “Opening this second production facility in Camarillo is a demonstration of our commitment to excellence and further supporting North American operators.

The Helitak FT 4500 tank, specifically designed for the Sikorsky UH-60 series, has quickly become the preferred choice for commercial operators. Its superior capacity, rapid deployment, and exceptional performance make it an indispensable tool in combating devastating wildfires. The tank is particularly valued for its ability to deliver large volumes of water or fire retardant to critical areas, providing an efficient and effective response to fire emergencies.

Helitak Fire fighting Equipment is committed to providing the best solutions for aerial fire fighting, and the expansion of our production capabilities marks a significant step toward

meeting the industry's growing needs. We are excited for the opportunities this new facility will bring in supporting our customers and advancing wildfire protection.

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About Helitak Fire fighting Equipment:

Helitak Fire fighting Equipment is an award-winning world leader in developing external tank solutions for the aerial fire fighting industry, founded by Jason Schellaars, an engineer and helicopter pilot who believed it was possible to improve on tanks currently available to the industry. Helitak continues to develop new products and improve the industry's lightest and most efficient tanks.

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