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BK117-B2 Helicopter upgrades continue in tough trading conditions

Since September, 2016 Airwork (NZ) has delivered three more aircraft upgrades of the BK117-B2 to BK117-850D2. This upgrade provides the operator with Category A / Class 1 Performance.

This is timely as a number of Aviation Authorities push for compliance to such performance levels.

Airwork holds the only STC for the BK117-850D2. The BK117-850D2 offers the operator an economical way to meet Category A / Class 1 requirements while dramatically enhancing the performance, safety and capabilities of the helicopter for the benefit of the operator, crew and its clients.

All three operators who received the upgrade, who operate in the EMS and Utility market segments are excited by the OEI and "Hot and High" performance gains of the LTS101-850B-2 engines. One client commented "We are excited at the fact our EMS/SAR aircraft is now Cat A, Class 1 compliant giving our crew and patients that extra safety factor that they didn't have before".

The upgrade only takes 3 days to perform achieving minimal downtime and can be done by the operator or MRO.

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