



# SAFRAN SIGNS BY-THE-HOUR SUPPORT CONTRACT WITH STATE GRID GENERAL AVIATION COMPANY

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**Safran Helicopter Engines has signed a Support-By-Hour contract with State Grid General Aviation Company (SGGAC), covering their H215 and H225 fleets. This contract formalizes a long-term Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul and service agreement supporting a total of 4 Makila engines. This contract also includes the renewal of SBH® support for 14 Arriel 2D engines powering the operator's fleet of 13 H125 helicopters.**

**Based in China, SGGAC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the world's largest utility company State Grid Corporation of China (SGCC), is mainly responsible for the air construction and maintenance of extrahigh-voltage and ultra-high-voltage power networks. SGGAC is one of Safran Helicopter Engines' important customers in China, it currently operates a fleet of 33 helicopters in total, and is the largest H125 and its engine Arriel 2D operator in Asia, as well as the launch customer of the H215 in China.**

**Bernard Plaza, Safran Helicopter Engines China CEO, said: "We are proud that SGGAC has renewed its confidence in Safran Helicopter Engines and its SBH® support contract, and we look forward to delivering them world-class services and supporting them in their most demanding missions".**

**SBH® is Safran Helicopter Engines' support-by-the-hour program. It makes engine operating costs predictable, eliminates cash peaks, allows flexibility for scheduled and unscheduled MRO coverage. It now covers 50% of Safran Helicopter Engines' customer turbines' flying hours.**

**SBH® and Health Monitoring are part of EngineLife® Services, Safran's range of solutions for helicopter engines.**

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