

BLACKCOMB HELICOPTERS EXPANDS OFFERING WITH ACQUISITION OF SUNSHINE COAST OPERATION

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MCM AVIATION is delighted to announce the acquisition of Sechelt-based **GOLDWING HELICOPTERS**, a well known B.C. helicopter charter operator, which will become part of its **BLACKCOMB HELICOPTERS** operation.

The purchase of **GOLDWING HELICOPTERS** is the result of a successful joint venture between two well-known B.C. based companies, **THE MCLEAN GROUP** (www.mcleangroup.com) and **OMEGA AVIATION** (www.omega-aviation.com) who teamed up in 2006 to acquire Whistler-based **BLACKCOMB HELICOPTERS** (www.blackcombhelicopters.com).

“The addition of Goldwing adds capacity and expertise to our current offering at Blackcomb, giving us increased exposure to the Sunshine Coast and Vancouver Island,” said McLean Group principal Sacha McLean. *“I have known Robin MacGregor for many years and he is a welcome addition to the team to help us grow the business.”*

Goldwing’s founder and former owner Robin MacGregor, who has accepted a position with Blackcomb Helicopters, added *“It’s been a labour of love building up my business over several decades but I think the time is right to make it part of something bigger. I’m really looking forward to working with Blackcomb to help expand its market both regionally and by industry.”*

In a statement from Omega Aviation, John Morris said, *“The acquisition of Goldwing Helicopters is a natural next step for Blackcomb to become a true regional operator with a broadening customer base in both traditional and specialized flying. I cannot think of an operation the size of Goldwing that has been more productive for so many years. Robin deserves credit for building a solid business and we are looking forward to having his assistance with the development of our specialty markets.”*

While MCM Aviation is not releasing the financial particulars of the transaction, the bank financing was provided by Canadian Western Bank. Customers of Goldwing can expect a high level of personal service and aviation competence to continue as the resources of Blackcomb Helicopters are also made available to them.

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