

NEWS UPDATE



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LaBARGE AWARDED \$5 MILLION CONTRACT FROM SIKORSKY FOR BLACK HAWK HELICOPTER PROGRAM

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 19, 2010—LaBarge, Inc. (NYSE Amex: LB) has been awarded a contract from Sikorsky Aircraft Corp. valued at approximately \$5 million to produce wiring harnesses for the HH-60M Medevac helicopter, which is part of the BLACK HAWK helicopter family. Sikorsky is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX). The new contract expands LaBarge's manufacturing role to include wiring harnesses for the main cabin of the Medevac helicopter. LaBarge has manufactured cables and electronic assemblies for the BLACK HAWK program since 2005.

Production on the contract is taking place at LaBarge's Berryville, Ark., facility and is expected to continue through December 2014.

Designed and manufactured by Sikorsky, the BLACK HAWK helicopter is the U.S. Army's primary utility tactical transport helicopter, which is capable of a variety of missions from combat assault and peacekeeping to disaster relief and medical evacuation. The HH-60M Medevac helicopter provides comprehensive modern medical care from the injury site while en route to a distant hospital.

Sikorsky Aircraft Corp., based in Stratford, Conn., is a world leader in helicopter design, manufacture, and service. United Technologies Corp., based in Hartford, Conn., provides a broad range of high-technology products and support services to the aerospace and building systems industries.

LaBarge, Inc. is a broad-based provider of electronics to technology-driven companies in diverse markets. The Company provides its customers with sophisticated electronic and electromechanical products through contract design and manufacturing services. Headquartered in St. Louis, LaBarge has

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operations in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas and Wisconsin. The Company's Web site may be accessed at <http://www.labarge.com>.

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