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# HÉROUX-DEVTEK'S LANDING GEAR DIVISION WINS \$22 MILLION IN MILITARY ORDERS

**New five-year order**

**Longueuil, Quebec, May 11, 2004** – Héroux-Devtek Inc. (TSX: HRX), a leading Canadian manufacturer of aerospace and industrial products, has announced that its Landing Gear Division has received a minimum of \$22 million in new orders from the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy. These orders involve the manufacture of landing gear components for the B1B, F-15, F-16, B-52, E-3 KC-135R, and P-3 programs.

“This is the first time the U.S. Air Force has requested a blanket five year tender for a combination of landing gear components,” stated Gilles Labbé, President and Chief Executive Officer of Héroux-Devtek. “Our successful bid is highly strategic as it places Héroux-Devtek in a select group of suppliers to the military. This underscores the confidence we enjoy with the U.S. Air Force and, as such, the potential for new business.”

Deliveries are to commence immediately and will continue until 2008. The majority of the contract, \$20.7 million, is with the U.S. Air Force. This amount includes a minimum of \$15 million under the USAF's Strategic Sustaining Initiative (SSI).

### Profile

**Héroux-Devtek Inc.**, a Canadian company, specializes in the design, development, manufacture and repair of aerospace and industrial products. The Company's head office is located in Longueuil, Quebec. Héroux-Devtek operates ten business units grouped under four divisions: the Landing Gear Division, the Aerostructure Division, the Gas Turbine Components Division and the Logistics and Defence Division. 75% of the Company's sales are outside Canada, mainly in the United States. Héroux-Devtek's shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol HRX.

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