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Terre Haute IN: The U.S. independent leader in repairs and overhauls of the popular Pratt & Whitney PT6-A Engine is hosting a photo contest for photographs celebrating the hardest-working engine in the aviation industry.

Photographers are invited to submit photos of planes in action, planes on the ramp, planes at work, planes in for service, the only requirement is that the plane must include a PT6-A engine.

Entries may be submitted using this form on the Turbines Inc website.

What is a PT6-A engine, explained

Commonly used in agriculture, firefighting, forestry and business aviation, the PT-6a PT6a is a gas turbine engine that is incredibly reliable and versatile. It's easily recognizable because it looks "backwards" has proven to be a key attribute to its success: its rearward, reverse flow inlet and forward facing turbine section providing fast maintenance turn-around through on-wing hot section refurbishment in most aircraft installations. The PT6A is a two-shaft engine with a multi-stage compressor driven by a single-stage compressor turbine and an independent shaft coupling the power turbine to the propeller through an epicyclic concentric reduction gearbox. (AKA "planetary gear train.")

The PT6A is the only engine to achieve Single Engine Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) status for passenger revenue activity in North America, Australia, Europe and New Zealand.

Popular aircraft that use the PT6-A engine include the PC-12, the King Air, the Air Tractor and Thrush.

Several high-quality entries have been submitted to date, but the contest remains open through May 1, 2023.

About Turbines Inc

Turbines Inc was started in 1981 by Jim Mills in Terre Haute, IN. He saw a need in the turbine ag world for a good Turbine shop. The business was based on knowledgeable people, fast turn times, and fair prices. 80% of the employees are U.S. military veterans, and many have worked at Turbines Inc. for 25+ years. Turbines Inc. serves agricultural, corporate and charter aircraft. They have been approved by the FAA for several Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs) including Turbine conversions for the Ag-Cat, Brave and Dromader. They complete PT6a engine repairs and overhauls, hot section inspections, prop strikes, power section repair, unscheduled inspections, agricultural plane repair, PT6a-28 to PT6a-34 conversion and other conversions. Turbines Inc is one of the few shops that has expertise with older but still popular PT6A-20 engine. Turbines Inc is a privately owned, family business.

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