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## North American Rescue Joins Samaritan Aviation To Make A Difference In Papua New Guinea

*Greer, SC* (*September 17, 2010*) – When Samaritan Aviation first approached North American Rescue, they were interested in purchasing NAR's state-of-the-art rescue litters. Inspired by the work of the mission-minded aviation company, North American Rescue chose to give rather than sell; donating a Stingray Litter, Talon 3 Litter, and a significant array of medical supplies including specialized bandages, needles, saline, and gauze.

Samaritan Aviation's primary focus is providing mission and medical services to remote villages in Papua New Guinea by operating the only amphibious airplane in a country of over 600 islands. The stretchers and supplies donated by North American Rescue are being utilized to treat the injured and wounded around Samaritan Aviation's base in Wewak, Papua New Guinea, an area of dense tropical jungle where a one-hour flight is equal to fourteen days of walking. Most people in the region live along the vast Sepik River, and the Stingray and T3 litters provide a way to transport the patients onto canoes that will take them down the river to meet the aircraft.

Salvation Aviation also conducts flights to Mexico to provide assistance to orphans and migrant farm workers and performs Mercy Flights in the western United States for individuals who are too ill to travel by commercial airlines or car.

Dr. Daniel Cranston, Field Medical Director of Samaritan Aviation, and North American Rescue's Michael Duncan were the moving forces behind this new alignment between their two companies. According to Duncan, "Samaritan Aviation displays the core beliefs and values of North American Rescue by providing care for those who cannot care for themselves."

North American Rescue, LLC, based in Greer, South Carolina, has enjoyed the honor of serving their country, community, and customers for over a decade. By providing innovative casualty care solutions to first responders, health care professionals, and security forces at home and abroad, NAR is leading the fray to decrease preventable death on the battlefield, whether it be a foreign combat zone or the streets of America.