

PRESS RELEASE



Bacau, Romania, April 5, 2024 – BRC Aircraft and Motorstar S.R.L. are pleased to announce that they have entered into an agreement for BRC to acquire the controlling interest of Motorstar, the manufacturer of aircraft M14PF radial engine.

"This is a major acquisition for BRC Aircraft and a new direction for our corporation, one in an aircraft engine manufacturing, service and distribution," said Zrinko Amerl, CEO of BRC Aircraft. "We are thankful to shareholders and staff of Motorstar for putting their trust in us to continue the decades long work in constant improvement and production of this iconic engine family! We, at BRC are committed to help bring support for these engines to new heights, making it truly a North American radial engine."

BRC Aircraft plans to restart production of new M14PF engines and will be responsible for worldwide distribution of this mainstream family of engines.

Motorstar S.L.R. General Director, Emilian Craciun and Head of Engineering, Viorel Andries were at the signing of the agreement: "We are excited to join our efforts and our dream engine with capable hands of BRC Aircraft" said Emilian Craciun. "We spent last three decades building the family of M14P engines and are looking forward to the energy and business acumens of BRC companies."

Motorstar S.L.R. will remain in Bacau, Romania with renewed investments into factory, its technological process, machinery and in its people.

S.C. Motorstar is the last remaining producer of M14PF engines. It employs upwards of 85 highly specialized people in the fields of engine engineering, service and production.

M14PF was originally designed by Alexandr Ivchenko of Ukraine as a 260hp radial engine and was known as Al14. In meantime various Eastern Block countries continued improvements to the engine bringing it to 300hp. In mid sixties Vadeneyev designed a helicopter version that still powers Kamov KA26 helicopters. Since 1999, Motorstar S.R.L. as the owner of the rights for this line of engines continued numerous improvements including bringing the power output to 400hp.

BRC Aircraft, a division of The Banff Rail Co, Inc is a Canadian corporation with Aircraft Build centres in Western Canada and Croatia, Europe. It is "The Builder of the Finest Aircraft," specializing and helping pilots build their amateur built aircraft. Tucano Replica, Glasair Sportsman, and both the Murphy Moose and the Rebel are just a few of the aircraft that BRC Aircraft has specialized in their Build Assist program.

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