# NAVAIR Orders One UC-12W Utility Transport

ARLINGTON, Va. – Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) has ordered another UC-12W Huron utility transport aircraft from Textron Aviation.

NAVAIR awarded Textron Aviation Inc. $14.3 million to fund the production and delivery of one King Air 350C Cargo Slick aircraft modified to a UC-12W, according to a March 2 Defense Department announcement.

The UC-12W Huron is the most recent naval version of the C-12 light utility transport aircraft. It is used as a base flight aircraft for Marine Corps air stations. The UC-12W, an FAA-certified military variant of the King Air 300 series aircraft, is a low-wing, fully pressurized, multifunction T-tail monoplane with two turboprop engines.

The aircraft is certified to operate on unimproved runways, certified/capable of operating in extreme weather conditions and equipped with the latest FAA mandates for operations in and outside of the continental United States. The cabin can be configured to accommodate passengers, cargo or both.

The Marine Corps operates 8 UC-12Ws equipped with extended-range fuel tanks, additional aircraft survivability equipment, night-vision compatible lighting and satellite phone communications. The UC-12Ws are replacing UC-12F/M versions of the Huron.