

**To:** John  
**Cc:** Edwin Black  
**Subject:** Blackhawk Information from Mike Chaplin

Hi John,

Edwin asked me to e-mail you regarding our experience with the Blackhawk upgrade, which we had done at Hawker-Beechcraft in Tampa, FL.

First.....this upgrade is beyond fantastic.....example, I flew one of the owners to his ranch in Kentucky about two weeks ago.....Muhlenberg County Airport.....I left there and was with Fort Campbell Approach and then right to Memphis Center.....they turned me loose and I went from takeoff to FL230 at 1,500 feet per minute, 140 knots.....amazing.....

I have already climbed 2,000 feet per minute when I am by myself.....and at 26,000, I "True" 290 and burn 230 lbs. per side.....these engines are the best thing since "sliced bread" .....

We had ours done at Hawker-Beechcraft in Tampa.....the guy to see is Bill Cadow.....he's a former mechanic and really knows what he's talking about.....I highly recommend this location.....I'm sure there are other good locations out there but Tampa is my choice.

I used to be Chief Pilot for two different NASCAR Race Teams and had all our work done at Stevens in Greenville or Piedmont in Winston-Salem.....Believe me, Tampa is much better in my opinion.....I also spent 6 years flying for Blackwater and also was their Training Captain.....saw alot of that type of maintenance also.....Hawker-Beechcraft in Tampa is by far the best, in my opinion

I only have good things to say about the upgrade.....

If you would like to talk more.....my phone number is 321-799-2784 or cellphone number is 321-427-1455.....will be happy to talk to you.....

As you already know, aviation is a tough business, especially finding people you trust, but Blackhawk and Bill Cadow at Hawker-Beechcraft will be more than their word.....they are great people.....

Thanks,

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