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"Presentation and Tour of Aircraft Component Repair, Inc"

Dennis Suedkamp – CEO

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ACR's Facility in Valencia, California

ACR's facility is located in a spacious building within a modern, high-tech, industrial complex in Valencia, California. The facility is clean, spacious, and well-organized meeting both FAA and EASA requirements. In 2022, ACR double its size by acquiring the building next to its original location.

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Aircraft Component Repair, Inc. is also Chinese CAAC, Thai DGAC and Indonesian DGAC Approved Repair Station and a leading subcontractor to the OEM, airline industry developing and performing unique piece-part repairs on aircraft components since 1976.



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A Brief Introduction to the Company ---

- Aircraft Component Repair, Inc. (ACR) is an FAA Approved and EASA Accepted Repair Station and a leading subcontractor to the airline industry developing and performing unique piece-part repairs on aircraft components. Chuck Holden, a former United Air Lines engineer, established ACR in Sun Valley, California in 1976. In April of 1986, Roger Meyerstein and a group of investors purchased the company and in November of 1989 moved it to its current location in Valencia, California.
- ACR is an Engineering Company/Machine Shop owned and operated by Engineers specializing in standard OHM repairs and ACR-Developed repairs as well as reclamation repairs.

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Introduction to the Company --- cont'd

- ACR has received FAA Approval for the following Repair Series and MINOR Repair Processes:
 - ACR 300-Series Repairs – These are individual repairs that ACR has developed and tested; providing the results to the FAA to obtain Aircraft Certification Office (ACO) approval.
 - ACR 3000-Series Repairs – These are individual repairs that were similarly developed by ACR and then evaluated and approved by the ACO.
 - ACR 4000-Series Repairs – These are individual repairs that were developed by ACR through processes approved by the FAA ACO and considered FAA-Approved when developed.

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Introduction to the Company --- cont'd

- Designated Engineering Representative (DER) Repairs --
 - ACR can also develop repairs using a contracted DER.
- Certification of Repaired Parts --
 - For Commercial Aircraft, ALL ACR repaired parts are returned with an FAA Form 8130-3 or FAA 8130-3/EASA Form One Dual Release Certificate.
 - For Military Aircraft, parts are returned with a Certificate of Conformance.

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- ACR can support both engine and system components on the following types of Commercial and Military aircraft:
 - Boeing 707, 717, 727, 737, 747, 757, 767, 777, 787etc.
 - McDonnell-Douglas DC-8, DC-9, DC10, MD80, MD90, MD11
 - Airbus A300, A310, A318, A319, A320, A330, A340, A350, A380 etc.
- Military Trainers/Fighters A-4, F-5, F-14, F15, F-16, F-18, etc.
- Military Transports C-123, C-130, C-141, C-5, C-17, P-3, etc.

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In-Coming, In-Process, and Final inspection Operations are performed in ACR's Specially built Inspection Room. As a "Check & Balance", all Level III Inspections are performed by a Certified Inspection Sub-Contractor. This enables ACR to assure our Customers the Absolute Best Quality.

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ACR uses state of the art 3D laser scanner to assist our highly trained engineers to reverse-engineer complex parts and ensures the integrity and quality of each part are not compromised.

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ACR has extensive experience in the art of Tig welding. ACR's weld shop can handle most kinds of metals/alloys including Stainless Steel, Inconel, Aluminum, Magnesium and Titanium. ACR also has both Inertia and Electron Beam Welding capabilities.

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ACR has extensive experience in Cold Metal Spray Process. ACR's cold spray capabilities include Aluminum and Magnesium. The Cold Metal Spray Process allows ACR to restore parts with materials that does not respond well to weld due to high heat.

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ACR also has a group of highly trained and motivated machinists working on a myriad of equipment; such as CNC lathes, mills, NC Jig Grinders, Presses, etc. Their combined work experience and expertise is exemplified by the superior workmanship of each ACR Repaired or reclaimed part that is returned to the customer.

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ACR uses a number of manual machines which enables us to pay extra attention to ensuring that the parent material is as unaffected by the repair process as possible unlike other "cookie cutter" repair shops who standardize all their repairs.

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Skilled machine operators are ACR's most valuable assets. ACR's machine operators are capable of work on "unique" piece of part that requires special knowledge of machine set ups.

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ACR's Core Business Model ---

- > At ACR we focus on customer needs from both a Standard (OHM/CMM) Repair Concept and a Reclamation Repair Development Concept.
- > We try to concentrate on familiar areas such as Pneumatic Starters, Constant Speed Drive/Integrated Drive Generators, Hydraulic Units, and Both Pneumatic and Fluid Valves, although we have repairs that cover the majority of the vehicle systems.
- > ACR's competencies are illustrated with the 3-Ring Model shown in Figure 1 on the following page.

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Figure 1 --The 3-Ring Competencies of ACR

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Air Turbine Starter Generic Breakdown

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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Transmission Housing Repairs....
 Since 1994 ACR has had FAA-Approved repairs to restore a Starter Transmission Housing with wear and/or damage to serviceable condition. ACR has the capability to repair cracks and/or Threaded Boss damage and other miscellaneous damage to the Starter Transmission Housing as well. ACR can also perform most OHM repairs.

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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Drive Shaft Repairs.... Since 1995 ACR has had an FAA-Approved repair to restore a Drive Shaft with worn Spline Teeth to serviceable condition. ACR also has the capability to restore a Drive Shaft with worn Bearing Diameters and an FAA-Approved repair to replace a severely damaged Drive Shaft or Drive Shaft section by inertia welding. ACR also performs OHM repairs to the Drive Shaft.

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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Hub Gear Repairs.... Since 1994 ACR has had a repair to restore the worn Hub Gear ratchet teeth to serviceable condition through an FAA-Approved process. ACR-restored Hub Gears have a long-term demonstrated track record of performing as well or better than new Hub Gears. ACR also can restore the diameters of the Hub Gear by Chrome Plating per the OHM or other ACR-Developed Repairs.

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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Gear Carrier Repairs... Since 1994 ACR has had FAA-Approved repairs to restore a Starter Gear Carrier with damaged Bearing Bores and/or damaged Lugs to serviceable condition. ACR's lug repair method has been imitated but never successfully copied. ACR also has the capability to perform repairs to the Bearing Support as well as performing OHM repairs to the Gear Carrier.



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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Stator Housing Repairs... Since 1996 ACR has had FAA-Approved repairs to restore a Stator Housing with a damaged Shroud and/or damaged Vane Section to serviceable condition. ACR has the capability to restore Stator Housings with damaged or destroyed Apron Conduit Sections as well as ID bores. ACR can also perform most OHM repairs to the Stator Housing.



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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Turbine Rotor Repairs... Since 1994 ACR has had FAA-Approved repairs to restore a Turbine Rotor with damaged Bearing Diameters and/or damaged Vanes and/or damaged Splines and/or damaged Threaded End to serviceable condition through a number of approved repair methods. ACR also has the capability to perform OHM repairs to the Turbine Rotor.



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Some Air Starter Repair Examples ---

Exhaust Housing Repairs... Since 1996 ACR has had FAA-Approved repairs to restore a Starter Exhaust Housing with wear and/or damage to the vanes, cutting ring, ID bore and/or contour to serviceable condition. ACR has the capability to repair flange or exhaust ring damage and other miscellaneous damage to the Starter Exhaust Housing as well. ACR can also perform most OHM repairs.



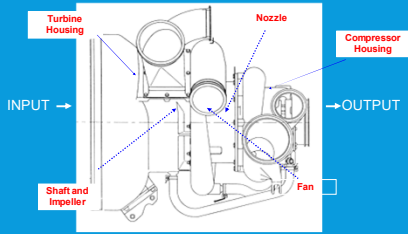
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Air Cycle Machine Generic Breakdown



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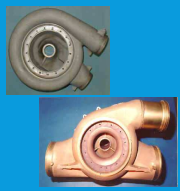
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Some Air Cycle Machines Repair Examples ---

Turbine Housing Repairs... For many years ACR has performed repairs to the ACM Turbine Housing. Everything from the repair of severely damaged convex radius to those simply requiring flange Replacement. ACR also has several repairs to restore the bearing liner and to repair any miscellaneous housing damage. ACR's unique experience in developing and performing these repairs has been beneficial to customers requiring the repair or salvage of their units. ACR also performs most OHM repairs to these housings.



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Some Air Cycle Machine Repair Examples ---

Miscellaneous Air Cycle Machine Repairs.... Since 1976 ACR has been developing repairs for Commercial Aircraft Air Cycle Machines. In addition to the parts shown above, we have performed our repairs on a number of other parts such as the turbine shaft and axial fan wheel, and we continue to develop new repairs monthly for the ever-changing needs of the industry.



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Some Air Cycle Machine Repair Examples ---

Nozzle Repairs.... ACR has unique repair experience in developing and performing repairs for the ACM nozzles. Through EB weld, brazing, specialized welding and machining, and other FAA-Approved processes we can restore the worn vanes or injection area of these units. ACR also performs most OHM repairs to the Nozzle.



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Some Air Cycle Machine Repair Examples ---

Compressor Housing Repairs.... ACR has performed repairs to the ACM Compressor Housing for customers worldwide for a long time. We can perform repairs to housings with worn or damaged throats. ACR has repairs to repair or replace the flanges and we have years of experience in repairing dents. ACR's currently has repairs for the F50, F100, B737, B747, B757, B767 and most Airbus aircraft. ACR also performs most OHM repairs to the Compressor Housing.

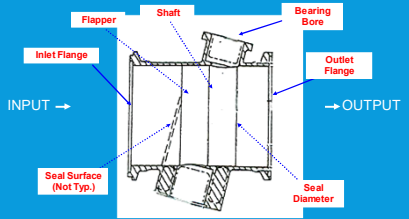


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Pneumatic Valve Generic Breakdown



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Some Valve, Shaft and Flapper Repair Examples ---

Valve Body Repairs.... Since 1976 ACR has been repairing valve bodies for the world's airlines. ACR's FAA-Approved processes have enabled us to develop numerous repairs to the main bore, bearing bores, or flanges. ACR's approved processes include using Tig welding, EB welding, chrome plating, and application of metal spray to return the valve bodies to serviceable condition. ACR's in-house developed repairs encompass most valve types including IP Check Valve Bodies, Flow Bodies, 3-way valve bodies, and most standard small and large bore valve bodies. The systems covered nearly every system within the airplane from the air-conditioning system to the hot gas systems off of the engine, and from the APU exhaust system to the waste water system. ACR also performs most OHM repairs to valve bodies.



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Some Valve, Shaft and Flapper Repair Examples ---

Shaft Repairs.... ACR also performs repairs to the valve shafts. Whether through chrome plating, metal spray application or welding and machining, ACR-restored shafts have been revolutionary in their longevity and quality. ACR also performs OHM repairs to these parts.



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Some Valve, Shaft and Flapper Repair Examples ---

Flapper Repairs... Since early in our history ACR has had repairs to restore the sealing surface and bearing bores of flappers to serviceable condition through FAA-Approved processes. ACR-restored flappers have a long-term, demonstrated track record of performing as well or better than new ones. ACR can also perform these repairs to butterfly valve flappers and to seal disks.

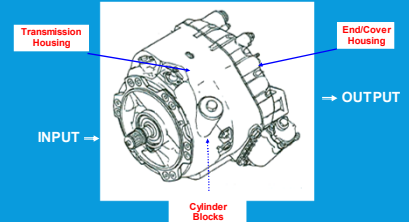


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CSD/IDG Generic Breakdown



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Some CSD/IDG Repair Examples ---

CSD/IDG Housing Repairs... For many years ACR has performed repairs to the CSD/IDG Housings. Everything from the repair of severely damaged Housings to those simply requiring Bearing Liner Replacement. ACR's unique experience in developing and performing these repairs has been beneficial to customers requiring the salvage of their units. ACR also performs most OHM repairs to the Housings.



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Some CSD/IDG Repair Examples ---

Cylinder Block Repairs... Since 1994 ACR has had an FAA-Approved Repair to Re-Sleeve the Cylinder Block Bores. ACR-restored Cylinder Blocks have a long-term demonstrated track record of performing as well or better than new Cylinder Blocks. Since initiating this repair in 1977, ACR has performed well over 20,000 of these repairs for most aircraft types, and since 1996 ACR has performed this repair for the Lucas IDG Cylinder Blocks used on the British Aerospace Concorde SST.



NOTE: ACR DOES NOT REPAIR THE BASE-PLATE

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Miscellaneous Repair Examples ---

ACR has Repairs for Actuator, Manifold, Fuel Pump, Hydraulic Pump/Control, as well as other types of Housings or Valve Bodies -

- Repair Minor Nicks, Cracks, Holes or Dents by Electron Beam, Tig, or Inertia Welding and Machining.
- Repair Damaged, Broken, Cracked flanges by Electron Beam, Tig, or inertia welding and/or installing an insert and machining.
- Repair damaged threaded ports, mounting flanges, or other minor discrepancies by Electron Beam, Tig, or inertia welding and machining.
- Restore ID by Electron Beam, Tig, or inertia Welding and/or Metal Spray and/or Plating and machining.

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In Summary ---

As we have illustrated, ACR has several methods we use to develop and perform repairs; whether they are for parts beyond OHM/CMM repair, for repairs not covered in the OHM/CMM, or for reclamation of a damaged part.

ACR's unique approach to Repairs and Repair Development have made us a leader in the Commercial Aviation Industry. We have developed over 4000 total piece-part repairs since 1976. We have received FAA-Approval for over 2800 repairs as well.

**When in doubt, don't scrap the part.
 Give ACR the opportunity to salvage it for you!!!**

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- June 30: **"Selling Your Business for Maximum Value in a Competitive M&A Process"**, Kevin Berson, President, Kinected Advisors, followed by **Tour of COC Aerospace, Camarillo Airport** | Ventura County Chapter meeting
- July 6: **"Generative Design, and the Future of Engineering and Manufacturing"**, Garrett Reim, Aviation Week | Los Angeles Chapter meeting
- July 18: **"Getting the Most from the Gold Coast Conference"**, Jeff Everage (CEO) and Alexis Romero (BD), Trident Proposal Management | San Diego Chapter meeting

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- August 16: **"Summary of the 2023 Paris Air Show"**, David Conrad, Vice President Business Development, PTI Technologies | National Online Forum webinar
- November 17: Jonna Doolittle Hoppes, Author – **"Calculated Risk: The Extraordinary Life of Jimmy Doolittle | Aviation Pioneer and World War II Hero"** and **"Just Doing My Job: Stories of Service from World War II"** | Los Angeles Chapter meeting

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