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Bristow Group Announces Appointment of New Vice President - Global Business Development

HOUSTON, May 12 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Bristow Group Inc. (NYSE: BRS), a leading provider of helicopter services to the offshore energy industry, today announced that Meera Sikka will join the Company as Vice President - Global Business Development effective June 1. Ms. Sikka replaces Mark Duncan who, as previously announced, has become Senior Vice President - Western Hemisphere.

Ms. Sikka comes to the Company with over 20 years of experience in the energy business in various locations around the world, the last 10 of which were spent with affiliates of Royal Dutch Shell. From March 2000 to February 2004, she was Commercial Manager of Shell Aircraft Limited based in London. From February 2004 to May 2008, she served as Global Category Manager - Aviation for Shell U.K. Exploration and Production.

In her new role with Bristow, she will be responsible for global customer and original equipment manufacturer relationships, along with the coordination of business development and sales functions around the world.

William E. Chiles, President and Chief Executive Officer of Bristow Group, stated, "We're excited to have an individual with Meera's background join us to help us in our growth plans. Meera brings with her a wealth of knowledge about the international rotorwing aviation industry and will be a valued addition to our senior management team."

ABOUT BRISTOW GROUP INC.

Bristow Group Inc. is the leading provider of helicopter services to the worldwide offshore energy industry based on the number of aircraft operated. Through its subsidiaries, affiliates and joint ventures, the Company has major transportation operations in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico and the North Sea, and in most of the other major offshore oil and gas producing regions of the world, including Alaska, Australia, Mexico, Nigeria, Russia and Trinidad. For more information, visit the Company's website at <http://www.bristowgroup.com>.

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