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# Era and Bristow to Merge, Forming a Larger, More Diverse and Financially Stronger Global Industry Leader



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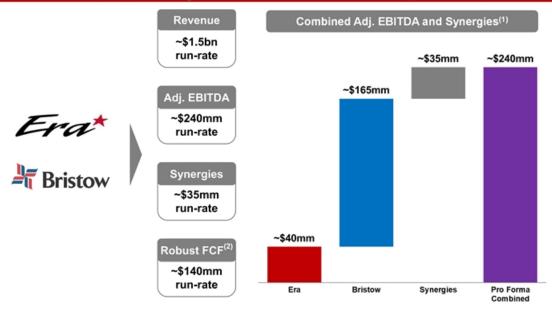
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  Does not reflect thanges in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs;
  Does not reflect the significant interest expense or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments on debts; and
  Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and neither Era Adjusted EBITDA nor Bristow
  Adjusted EBITDA reflect any cash requirements for such replacements.

# **Combination Strengthens Global Leadership Position**



Reflects projected post-closing run-rate Adjusted EBITDA.

Free cash flow defined as cash flow from operating activities (net of interest) less capital expenditures.

## Strategic and Financial Rationale

Global leader in offshore helicopter operations with significant presence in key regions, supplemented by stable government services revenue stream

Complementary fleet mix allows combined company to optimally service customers

Enhanced customer and end-market diversification

Significant, sustainable cost savings achieved through Bristow's chapter 11 restructuring process and portfolio optimization

Substantial and highly achievable cost synergies identified

Totrong balance sheet with robust free cash flow profile

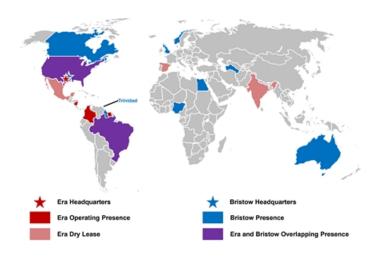
Led by industry veterans with proven track record of capital discipline, protecting stakeholder value and generating free cash flow through industry cycles

Combination benefits all stakeholders

# Global Leader with Significant Presence in Key Regions

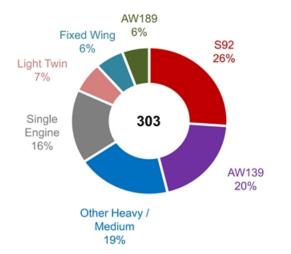
### **Attractive and Complementary Geographic Footprints**

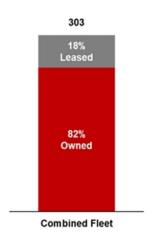




Reflects CY2019E metrics, pro forma for Bristow's May 2019 business disposition of Eastern.

# **Complementary Fleet Mix**



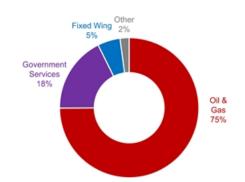


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Note: Reflects December 2019 fleet count, pro forma for Bristow's pending sale of 14 H225s.

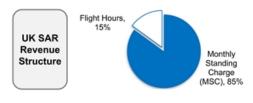
### **Enhanced Customer and End-Market Diversification**

## Revenue by End Market<sup>(1)</sup>



#### **Government Services Revenue**

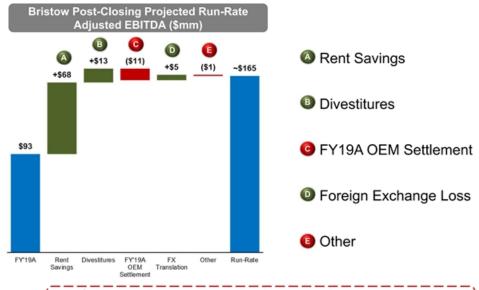
UK SAR and BSEE contracts provide meaningful diversification from oil price volatility



government services revenue

Attractive mix of oil and gas customers with long-term relationships, and diversified end-market exposure with significant

# Bristow's Restructuring Process and Portfolio Optimization



~\$900mm in debt reduction and no future aircraft capital commitments as a result of the restructuring

Note: Reflects Bristow fiscal year ended March 31, 2019

# **Substantial and Highly Achievable Cost Synergies**

**G&A Savings** 



Fleet Cost Savings

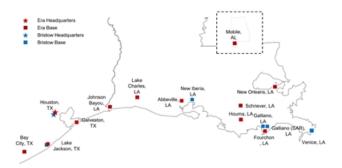


Other OpEx Savings

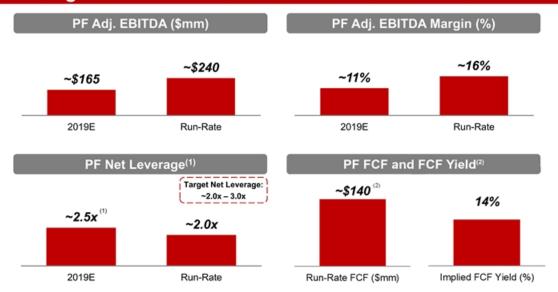


~\$35 Million Annual Run-Rate Savings

- Elimination of redundant corporate expenses
- Realization of operational efficiencies in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico
- Optimization of aircraft maintenance programs and fleet utilization
- ✓ Synergies expected to be realized in ~12 to 24 months



# Strong Balance Sheet with Robust Free Cash Flow Profile



Notes: Implied FCF yield based on Era stock price on February 17, 2020, and calculated as PF FCF divided by implied pro forma market capitalization. Run-rate reflects synergies of \$35mm.

Reflects 2019E combined Adjusted EBITDA including run-rate synergies of \$35mm. Estimated combined debt and cash balances as of 12/31/19, before
transaction impacts.

(2) Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure and is defined as cash flow from operating activities (net of interest) less capital expenditures.

### **Benefits to All Stakeholders**

#### Customers

- · Both companies share an uncompromising commitment to deliver safe and reliable operations
- · Enhanced fleet options and flexibility facilitated by larger, global, and more diverse fleet mix
- Combined company will have financial means to continue to fund investments to advance technology and safety and to meet customers' evolving needs
- · Enhanced size and operational efficiencies will benefit customers

#### **Employees**

- . Strong cultural alignment with safety as #1 core value
- · Increased professional development opportunities at larger, more diverse organization
- · Enhanced employer financial stability

#### Shareholders

- Value accretive, all stock transaction allows all shareholders to participate in upside from combination, including substantial value creation from synergies
- · Increased size and end-market diversification enhances stability of revenue and cash flow
- · Committed to driving long-term value through positive free cash flow and capital discipline

#### Lenders

- · Stronger pro forma balance sheet
- · Enhanced free cash flow profile and significant asset coverage
- . Improved credit rating and enhanced credit metrics expected for the combined company

### Reconciliation of Historical Financials Used in Presentation

Bristow Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation	Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2019	
(\$ thousands)		
Net loss	\$	(336,138)
Loss on disposal of assets		27,843
Special items		162,894
Depreciation and amortization		124,899
Interest expense		113,500
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		(161)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	92,837

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(\$ thousands)	М	March 31, 2019		
Loss on impairment	\$	117,220		
Transaction cost		32,800		
Organizational restructuring costs		11,897		
CEO retirement cost		977		
Total Special Items	\$	162,894		