AP4’s Hughes Technical Services and Liburdi Turbine Services Announce Strategic Investment in Alstom Gas Turbine Fleet

Strategic investments in repair, engineering, field service, and parts support for the global Alstom gas turbine fleet.

LAKELAND, FL, UNITED STATES, September 15, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Hughes Technical Services (HTS), an AP4 Company, and Liburdi Turbine Services (Liburdi) announced today a strategic partnership to provide turnkey maintenance and engineering support for owners and operators of Alstom gas turbines.

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The partnership brings together HTS's expertise in new parts supply, field service, controls, and commissioning with Liburdi's proprietary hot gas path component repair capabilities, creating a fully integrated solution for Alstom fleet operators.

As many Alstom gas turbines continue to operate beyond their original service life, owner/operators are seeking experienced service providers that can help extend asset life, improve reliability, and reduce operating costs. By combining their respective capabilities, HTS and Liburdi aim to provide a more comprehensive support model for this installed fleet, including access to a dedicated new and refurbished parts supply chain for operators requiring inventory or replacement parts.

The partnership includes a joint investment into additional shop capacity, field service capabilities, and a dedicated engineering support team. The operations will be based in Mooresville, North Carolina.

"Owners and operators of legacy Alstom turbines face increasing challenges as these assets continue to age and parts and support become scarce," said Gary Hughes, President of Hughes Technical Services. "By combining HTS's expertise in turbine field services, commissioning, controls, and new component supply chain with Liburdi's advanced repair technologies, we can offer customers a unique and OEM equivalent solution in the market that helps them keep these assets running reliably for the foreseeable future to meet ever growing demand."

"Liburdi has supported the Alstom fleet for decades through advanced component repair and life-extension technologies," said Paul Lowden, President of Liburdi Turbine Services. "Partnering with HTS expands our ability to serve customers with an integrated approach that addresses both field service requirements and hot gas path component life extension, helping operators reduce downtime and total cost of ownership."

About Liburdi Turbine Services
Founded in 1979, Liburdi Turbine Services brings more than 45 years of experience repairing Alstom gas turbine blades, vanes, nozzles, combustors, and other hot section components. The company is recognized for its proprietary repair technologies, including Liburdi Powder Metallurgy (LPM®), which restores worn, cracked, and damaged gas turbine components using high-strength superalloy deposits. These repair processes help extend component life, increase the percentage of parts that can be successfully repaired, and reduce the total cost of ownership for gas turbine operators. For more information, please visit liburditurbineservices.com.

About HTS and AP4
Founded in 2014 by former Alstom and ABB engineers, Hughes Technical Services (HTS) is a leading independent service provider for Alstom gas turbines and ABB turbine control systems. Acquired by AP4 Group in 2022, HTS delivers maintenance, troubleshooting, mechanical field services, commissioning, and controls solutions for owners and operators of Alstom gas and steam turbines. Its OEM-trained engineers bring decades of experience supporting ABB® and Alstom® equipment.

AP4 specializes in turbine, control and excitation parts and services to keep legacy power plants operational. This includes Parts Distribution and Repair, Controls Solutions, Turbine Services, and Installation Services. By combining expertise, fast and focused response, value, and delivery, AP4 delivers parts and services that maximize uptime and extend asset life. For more information, please visit ap4.com.

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