



## **Superior Air Parts Press Release**

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### **SUPERIOR AIR PARTS HAS APPOINTED BARRETT PRECISION ENGINES AS THE FIRST AUTHORIZED XP-400 ENGINE BUILDER**

*Barrett Precision Engines has been building and overhauling high-performance engines for experimental, aerobatic, air racing and certified aircraft since 1984.*

***Barrett Precision Engines will have their first XP-400 Engine  
on display during Sun 'n Fun at booth #NE-037***

Coppell, TX, April 05, 2013—Superior Air Parts, Inc., announced today that they have appointed Barrett Precision Engines, Inc. (BPE), as the first authorized engine build facility for the company's 215-horsepower, XP-400 Engine.

"The Barrett family has developed an enviable reputation within homebuilders, competitive aerobatic pilots and certified aircraft owners for taking good engines and turning them into truly great engines," Glen Golden, Superior's V.P. Sales and Marketing said. "We couldn't be more excited to have their engine building skills and expertise available to XP-400 Engine buyers."

"Many of our customers are owners of Superior's 180-horsepower XP-360 Engine and while it provides great performance, a number of them have been looking for an engine that delivers the same Superior quality with more horsepower – and that's what the 215-horsepower, XP-400 offers," stated BPE's Manager, Rhonda Barrett-Bewley. "The cost of a comparable Lycoming has just skyrocketed to a point where most owner/builders can't afford it. By delivering more horsepower at a much more affordable price, Superior's XP-400 Engine is going to fill a big need within the market."

Ms. Barrett-Bewley said that BPE's team recently completed their first XP-400 for a customer who is building a Glasair Sportsman 2+2.

“We just had it on our water brake dyno for the first time and it ran great,” she said. “We gave all the data from the dyno run to the owner and he’s very excited to have selected the XP-400.”

“He’s building his Sportsman with only two seats to have room for all his gear for when he goes off into the backcountry,” Ms. Barrett-Bewley said. “He’s going to get all the power he needs to go wherever he wants with this engine.”

Golden explained that the standard XP-400 Engine features all of Superior’s industry-leading engine design and manufacturing advancements including a counter-weighted version of Superior’s proprietary ESR (Electro Slag Remelt) crankshaft and Superior’s popular Millennium Cylinders.

Model: XP-400 Engine Technical Data:

Horsepower: 215

Displacement: 400 cubic inches

Number of cylinders: 4

Maximum RPM: 2,700

Bore x Stroke: 5.25” x 4.625”

Weight: 310 lbs.

**About Barrett Precision Engines, Inc.**

Based in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Barrett Precision Engines, Inc., was founded in 1984 by Monty Barrett. The Class 1 FAA Repair Station specializes in top of the line engine overhaul and modification work, as well as providing individual engine build services for experimental homebuilt aircraft builders. The mission-critical nature of our engine work ensures that our crew of engine build craftsmen does the best possible job, using the best methods and materials available. For more information, visit: [www.bpaengines.com](http://www.bpaengines.com)

**About Superior Air Parts, Inc.**

Superior Air Parts, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Superior Aviation Beijing, is a leading manufacturer of FAA approved aftermarket replacement parts for Lycoming and Continental aircraft engines. In addition, the company manufactures the FAA certified Vantage Engine and the XP-Series Engine family for experimental and sport aircraft builders. For more information, visit: [www.superiorairparts.com](http://www.superiorairparts.com)

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