



AirAsia would receive any further government subsidies, except in two isolated thin routes.

While the ultimate test of the BTP and Idris Jala's vision will be time, already the signs are very encouraging.

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Orchestrating the successful development and commercialization of products used in testing and monitoring the structural integrity of materials that are subject to operational stress and fatigue in aircraft

MARK VELLACOTT is primarily responsible for the day to day management of Structural Monitoring Systems (SMS), the commercial arm of the CVM technology and overall



strategic development of the company.

Retired airline pilot Ken Davey invented CVM in 1994 to provide a structural

health monitoring system for aircraft. A basic CVM system consists of three main components: An inert sensor which can be adhered to the structure or embedded within the structure during manufacture; a regulated vacuum source to apply and control a low vacuum; and a fluid flow-measuring device.

Several variations of the basic CVM system exist, including kits for structural fatigue testing in which multiple test sites can be continuously monitored from a single vacuum source and data acquisition computer, unique real time crack propagation monitoring systems, and portable systems designed for use on aircraft where only the

passive sensor is installed on the aircraft and the self-contained portable instrument is manually connected for periodic inspections.

SMS is involved in qualification and implementation of its technologies with Boeing, Airbus, Embraer, "a large European helicopter manufacturer" and various military aircraft operators.

RICK WESTMORELAND

VP Australia & Pacific Island
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Leading the local effort to win a spectacular Qantas order for up to 115 Boeing 787 aircraft in December 2005

Even Rick Westmoreland was taken by surprise when Qantas chief Geoff Dixon called him on 14th of December 2005. The airline had played its cards very close to its chest over the weeks of deliberation leading up to a decision on its domestic and international fleet renewal program; and while both