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HAWKER BEECHCRAFT TO PAY UNITED STATES \$286,000 UNDER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

WICHITA, KAN. – Hawker Beechcraft Corporation, formerly Raytheon Aircraft Company, has agreed to pay the United States \$286,072.25 to settle allegations that it improperly charged the U.S. government for spare parts associated with the Joint Primary Aircraft Training Program (JPATS) and to reimburse the government for the cost of weight-on-wheels boxes. U.S. Attorney Eric Melgren announced the settlement Tuesday.

The JPATS trainer T-6A Texan II, a single-engine turboprop, is produced by Hawker Beechcraft for use by the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy. The planes are manufactured in Wichita, Kan.

Hawker Beechcraft denies any wrongdoing.

The case was investigated by Defense Criminal Investigative Services (DCIS) after referral by the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) which oversees the performance of government contracts on-site at Hawker Beechcraft. Assistant U.S. Attorney Laurie Kahrs handled the case.