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## **FORTBRAND SERVICES INC. AND PATRIA VAMMAS OY ANNOUNCE SALE OF PSB5500 TO CHICAGO, O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SALE OF PSB 4500 TO MANCHESTER AIRPORT AND LEASE OF PSB4500 TO LAGUARDIA AIRPORT.**

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Fortbrand Services Inc., the exclusive North American representative for Patria Vammas Oy, the Finland based manufacturer of specialized airside snow removal equipment, is pleased to announce the conclusion of several sales and leases of their high speed three-in-one snow removal equipment in North America.

Chicago O'Hare International Airport has purchased two (2) additional PSB5500 vehicles bringing their total to ten (10) units, which will permit the airport to clear their runways with a single, high speed pass in the upcoming 2003-2004 Winter Season, in single digit clearing times.

Manchester Airport (New Hampshire) has purchased one (1) PSB 4500 unit and LaGuardia Airport has leased four (4) PSB4500 units with a purchase option. The PSB 4500 units destined for these airports will provide increased speed and maneuverability, providing the ability to do high speed snow removal, on both taxiways and runways.

These new orders bring the total Vammas fleet operating in North America to 53 at eight (8) airports for the 2003-2004 Winter Season.

<u>Airports</u>	<u>Number of Units</u>
Boston	8
Chicago	11
Detroit	6
Toronto	13
Calgary	4
New York (JFK)	6
Manchester	1
New York (LaGuardia)	4

Henry Foster, President of Fortbrand Services stated: "In these difficult economic times in the aviation industry, it is particularly gratifying to see that airports in North America recognize the need to improve their runway snow removal operation, and have taken steps with this equipment to reduce delays, and save the airlines at these airports substantial costs"

Fortbrand Services is a niche business specializing in the sale, lease and renting of aircraft ground support equipment throughout the aviation industry. The Company also engages in related activities and acts as manufacturer's representative for the sale and lease of unique aviation equipment, including the high speed Vammas PSB5500, PSB4500 and related equipment.

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