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"FLYING CAR" TESTED AT PLATTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

The prototype of a "flying car" completed seven successful test flights at Plattsburgh International Airport this month. The Terrafugia Transition Roadable Aircraft is a two-seat aircraft designed to take off and land at local airports and also drive on the road.

The innovative aircraft is being developed by Terrafugia, based in Woburn, Massachusetts, and can fly up to 450 miles at more than 115 MPH. It is capable of taking off over a 50 foot high obstacle at a distance of 1,700 feet. The front-wheel-drive vehicle can be driven at highway speeds on the ground and fits inside a standard garage with its wings folded. Both modes of operation are fueled by high-octane, unleaded gasoline from a regular gas station. It is rated to get 30 miles per gallon on the road at highway speeds, and converts to ground transportation within 30 seconds after the push of a button in the cockpit.

Terrafugia expects the remarkable new aircraft to be available in 2011, and they already have forty refundable orders.

Terrafugia selected Plattsburgh for its test operations based on the airport's massive, uncongested facilities, which are ideal for aerospace development and testing activities. "We loved testing in Plattsburgh," Terrafugia Vice President Andrew Heafitz said. "The 11,000 foot runway was perfect for our test flights."

"We thank Terrafugia for taking advantage of the remarkable facilities at Plattsburgh International," states Garry Douglas, President of the Plattsburgh-North Country Chamber of Commerce, "and we look forward to continuing to work with them and with other aviation and aerospace companies in need of flexible, uncongested, low cost space."

Plattsburgh International Airport has been created from the former Plattsburgh Air Force Base. Located just one hour south of Montreal, it is marketed as "Montreal's U.S. Airport" and is quickly developing as an aerospace industrial park and as a secondary passenger airport for southern Quebec.

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