

ClearSkies expands capabilities with acquisition of RIEGL VQ-1560 II-S



ClearSkies Geomatics, based in Colorado, USA, has recently added the RIEGL VQ-1560 II-S airborne laser scanner to its growing rental system fleet. This laser scanner, an advancement of RIEGL's dual-channel series, extends operational altitudes and enhances productivity. Notably, its pulse repetition rates are finely adjustable for tailored project optimization. Recognized for its

unique cross-fire scan pattern, allowing the maximum wide-area coverage for various forestry and corridor applications, the VQ-1560 II-S stands out as a versatile choice for diverse geospatial applications.

"We are extremely pleased that ClearSkies has committed and invested in RIEGL aerial sensors and technologies to enable existing and future customers in their short-term capacity requirements," commented Michael Sitar, airborne division manager for RIEGL USA.

"ClearSkies presented to us a unique business model designed to support the aerial survey industry with access to the latest in aerial Lidar sensor solutions for mid- to large collection programmes."

Sophisticated systems

[ClearSkies Geomatics](#) is widely known for its experience with many different remote sensing platforms and technologies is especially in tune with the needs of clients with large project requirements and inquiries as to the best solutions for their needs. ClearSkies commitment to purchase a RIEGL VQ-1560 II-S ensures that the airborne community will be equipped with the correct solution.

The company has cultivated its reputation through the ethical representation of clients and manufacturers, facilitating an enhanced customer experience in the acquisition of sophisticated systems. For those with high-quality aerial survey equipment for sale or rent, or individuals seeking to procure such equipment, ClearSkies' brokerage services are readily available to provide assistance.

"ClearSkies Geomatics is thrilled to be able to offer our clients around the world with the opportunity to rent this high-accuracy [RIEGL VQ-1560 II-S](#)," said Patrick McConnell, president of ClearSkies Geomatics. "This sensor system will be our premier system available for short-term rentals and enables us to meet this important need in the aerial survey industry. RIEGL USA's support for our growing sensor rental services is critical for our success and we look forward to our continued relationship."



As of 2024, the VQ-1560 II-S stands as the industry's flagship airborne system. (Image courtesy: RIEGL)