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A resistive heater system comprising a braided and flattened electrical lead connected to a heating blanket or coating at one end of the lead. The braided and flattened electrical lead comprises a folded-over section that forms an angle in the lead of 70 to 110°. The invention also includes an aircraft comprising the heater system. Nonlimiting examples of aircraft include helicopter, drone, and airplane.

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