

UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

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AFFECTED AIRCRAFT

Any aircraft having the Frantz oil filtration system installed under FAA-STC SA695CE or any other approved FAA-STC oil filtration system of similar design.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this notification is to advise all aircraft owners, operators, maintenance entities, manufacturers, and parts distributors regarding Frantz oil filter elements (part no. 5562) and Frantz oil gasket seals (part no. 5560) produced without Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) production approval and offered for sale for installation on type-certificated aircraft.

BACKGROUND

Information received during an FAA Suspected Unapproved Parts (SUP) investigation indicated that George Walker Enterprises, Inc. (GWE), 20276 South Oakmont Lane, Oregon City, OR 97045-9455 had produced and sold the Frantz oil filtration system without FAA production approval. GWE sold the parts (see parts list below) from about January 1998 until January 2001.

PART NAME	MANUFACTURER	PART NO.	SERIAL NO.	QUANTITY
Frantz Oil Filter Element	George Walker Enterprises, Inc.	5562	N/A	192
Frantz Oil Gasket Seal	George Walker Enterprises, Inc.	5560	N/A	192

RECOMMENDATIONS

Regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. Since the location of these parts is unknown, we encourage all aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, manufacturers, and aircraft parts distributors to inspect their aircraft and/or aircraft parts inventory for parts manufactured by GWE. Appropriate action should be taken if the referenced parts have been installed on aircraft. If any existing inventory includes these parts, the FAA recommends that you quarantine the parts to prevent installation on aircraft until a determination can be made regarding their eligibility for installation.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information concerning this investigation may be obtained from the FAA Manufacturing Inspection District Office (MIDO) given below. The FAA would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of the above-referenced parts from any source, the means used to identify the source, and the actions taken to remove them from aircraft and/or stock.

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