Federal Aviation Administration

National Part 139 CertAlert

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To: FAA Airport Certification Safety Inspectors (ACSI's), Certificated Part 139 Airports and Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Departments

Subject: Recall of Non-Compliant Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF)

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1. Purpose.
This National Certification Alert informs all Part 139 certificated airports and Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) departments of a company recall of the Fire Service Plus product FireAde Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF).

2. Background.
a. The Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) has notified the Federal Aviation Administration of a “do not ship” on FireAde AFFF, both 3% and 6%.

b. Fire Service Plus notified NAVSEA that FireAde AFFF failed the half-strength test for the 3% AFFF and initiated a recall on the products.

3. Recommendations.
a. The Federal Aviation Administration recommends all ARFF departments check their AFFF inventory to see if they have purchased any FireAde AFFF.

b. If you find any Fire Service Plus FireAde AFFF in your inventory, contact the product manufacturer immediately for information on replacement (Fire Service Plus, INC., info@fireade.com, 770-460-7793).

c. FireAde AFFF passed all tests at full-strength, and if currently in an ARFF vehicle, it is authorized for use.

d. If you need to purchase replacement AFFF and have questions on authorized brands, please review FAA Part 139 National CertAlert 16-05. This CertAlert is available on the FAA website at https://www.faa.gov/airports/airport_safety/certalerts/.

e. There is no requirement to discharge or dispose of any FireAde products. For any discharge or disposal, consider establishing local Standard Operating Guidelines/Standard Operating
Procedures (in conjunction with your local or state environmental regulatory organizations) to identify a suitable location/storage container to discharge AFFF.

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