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Memorandum

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Subject: Issuance of the Authorized Release Certificate, FAA Form 8130-3,
Airworthiness Approval Tag and PAH Issuance of Authorized Release
Documents for Export

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This memorandum clarifies the manner in which FAA Form 8130-3 is prepared for export under part 21, subpart L and FAA Order 8130.21. It applies whether FAA Form 8130-3 is issued by the FAA as an Authorized Release Certificate, Export Airworthiness Approval, or Authorized Release Document under 14 CFR § 21.137(o).

This memo also provides a deviation to FAA Order 8130.21H, Change 1 to allow an authorized individual to issue FAA Form 8130-3 (hereafter, tag) for the purpose of exporting an engine, propeller, or article without the use of the statement, “Export airworthiness approval – This engine/propeller/article meets the special requirements of (enter country),” in block 12. Requiring this statement needlessly complicates the issuance of the tag and hinders the global shipment of engines, propellers, and articles, especially when they are exported multiple times. However, an exporter must continue to include any other statements required by FAA Order 8130.21 and the applicable bilateral agreements. For example, “This PMA part is not a critical component.”

Accordingly, individuals authorized to issue a tag for export are directed as follows:

For Articles

- *Do not* use the statement, “Export airworthiness approval – This article meets the special requirements of (enter country),” from paragraph 4-5 L(9), in block 12.
- *Do not* use the statements in Appendix A, Figures A-14, A-15, A-16, and A-17 (“Export airworthiness approval – This article meets the special requirements of (enter country)” and “EXPORT.”)

- *Do not* use the statement, “Export airworthiness approval. No special import requirements for [enter name of country or jurisdiction] stated at time of issuance,” from paragraph 4-5 L(10), in block 12.
- An exporter must continue to include any other statements required by FAA Order 8130.21 and the applicable bilateral agreements.

For Engines/Propellers

- *Do not* use the statement, “Export airworthiness approval – This product meets the special requirements of (enter country(s) or jurisdiction(s)),” from paragraph 4-5 L(9), in block 12.
- *Do not* use the statement, “Export airworthiness approval. No special import requirements for (enter name of country or jurisdiction) stated at time of issuance,” from paragraph 4-5 L(10), to block 12.
- An exporter must continue to include any other statements required by FAA Order 8130.21 and the applicable bilateral agreements.

General Information on Export Airworthiness Approvals

- The fourth sentence in paragraph 4-1(a) will be revised by adding the following language “...the FAA ASI, authorized designee or person authorized to issue an Authorized Release Document under § 21.137(o) must comply with the requirements of the importing country or countries in accordance with part 21, subpart L, regardless of the aircraft’s location.”

This information will be incorporated into a future revision of the order.

If you have any questions, please contact the Production Certification Section, AIR-112, at (202) 267-1575.

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