

# UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION



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## AFFECTED AIRCRAFT

Gulfstream Aerospace G-159, British Aerospace HS 748, Fokker F27, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries YS-11, General Dynamics (Convair), and Vickers-Armstrongs Viscount.

## PURPOSE

This Unapproved Parts Notification advises or provides information to all aircraft owners or operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, and parts distributors regarding propeller low-torque switches that have been approved for return to service but are not in compliance with Airworthiness Directive (AD) 98-04-13.

## BACKGROUND

Information received during a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Suspected Unapproved Parts investigation indicated that, between 1997 and 1999, Gross Instrument Corp., 125-12 Liberty Ave., Richmond Hill, NY 11419, overhauled and approved for return to service 13 propeller low-torque switches that were not in compliance with AD 98-04-13. The AD, which incorporates Rolls Royce Service Bulletin No. Da61-12, Revision 2, dated September 1978, requires the removal from service of certain propeller low-torque switches. (See AD 98-04-13 and Rolls Royce Service Bulletin No. Da61-12 for specific instructions.) Information received indicates that two of the 13 switches have been removed from service. Listed below are the part and serial numbers of the switches that have not been located:

Part No.	Serial No.
L944769	S/19390
L944738	S/10337
	P136337
	S/3722
	S/10917
L944772	11234
	SP4729
	SP14102
	RO5839
	16878
	P/127696
	076
	091

## RECOMMENDATION

No person may operate a product to which an airworthiness directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of that airworthiness directive. Aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance

organizations, and parts distributors should inspect their aircraft, aircraft records, and/or parts inventories for any of the above- referenced switches. Please take appropriate action if any referenced switch has been installed on an aircraft. If any existing inventory includes the switches, we recommend that you quarantine them to prevent their being installed before they are determined to be eligible for installation.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

You can contact the FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) shown below for additional information. The FAA would appreciate any information relating to the source of an above-referenced switch, the means used to identify the source of the switch, and the action taken to remove the switch from an aircraft or parts inventory.

This notice originated from the New York FSDO, 990 Stewart Ave., Garden City, NY 11530-4858, telephone (516) 228-8029, fax (516) 228-8827; and was published through the FAA Suspected Unapproved Parts Program Office, AVR-20, telephone (703) 661-0581, fax (703) 661-0113.