

UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

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AFFECTED AIRCRAFT

Installed on, but not limited to, Fokker F28, Lockheed L1011, and Airbus 300 Series.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this notification is to advise all aircraft owners, operators, maintenance entities, parts distributors and suppliers regarding maintenance performed by Western Aircraft Support, Inc., outside the scope of its repair station certificate rating.

BACKGROUND

Incident to an unapproved parts investigation, it was determined that Western Aircraft Support, Inc. (WASI), 572 Airport Road, Oceanside, CA 92054, a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)-certificated repair station, No. R1XR002Y, had performed maintenance (repair and overhaul) outside the scope of its FAA-approved authority. Between December 1, 1998, and August 5, 1999, WASI performed maintenance on parts for the above-referenced aircraft when it did not hold the required repair station certificate ratings.

RECOMMENDATION

Regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. Aircraft owners, operators, maintenance entities, parts distributors and suppliers should inspect their aircraft, aircraft records, and/or parts inventories for parts applicable to the above-referenced aircraft that have been maintained and returned to service by WASI between December 1, 1998, and August 5, 1999. If any of the parts are installed on aircraft, appropriate action should be taken. If any of the parts identified are found in existing stock, it is recommended that the parts be quarantined until a determination can be made regarding each part's eligibility for installation.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information regarding this investigation may be obtained from the FAA Flight Standards Office (FSDO) shown below. The FAA would appreciate any information regarding the discovery of the above-referenced parts from any source and the action taken to remove the parts from service or stock.

This notice originated from the San Diego FSDO, 8525 Gibbs Drive, Suite 120, San Diego, CA 92123, telephone (619) 557-5281, ext. 241, fax (619) 279-3241; and was published through the FAA Suspected Unapproved Parts Program Office, AVR-20, telephone (703) 661-0581, fax (703) 661-0113.