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Memorandum

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Subject: Deviation to FAA Order 8120.22A Production Approval Procedures

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This memorandum authorizes a deviation to Order 8120.22A, Production Approval Procedures, paragraph 4-6(f) and Figure 4-4 which lists information to be included in a Parts Manufacturer Approval (PMA) Assist Letter. The Aircraft Certification Service (AIR) has been asked to clarify what is the minimum information required in a PMA Assist Letter.

FAA accepts a PMA Assist Letter as authorized by the type certificate (TC), supplemental type certificate (STC), or technical standard order (TSO) authorization holder as evidence of the agreement called for in 14 CFR 21.303. The PMA assist letter must include all the information listed under 4-6(f) (1) a, c and d. This deviation allows Paragraph 4-6 (f) (1) (b) to read:

“A statement that the PMA applicant is authorized to use the design data as identified by the article name and either part number or drawing number. If the PMA Assist Letter does not contain the article drawing number, then the PMA application package must provide evidence of Design Holder acceptance of the design data.”

A review of the sample PMA Assist Letter in Order 8120.22A, Production Approval Procedures, paragraph 4-6 (f) and Figure 4-4 lists information that is not specifically required by the regulation.

This change to FAA Order 8120.22A will be incorporated during the next revision.

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