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Subject: Deviation to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order 8120.23, *Certificate Management of Production Approval Holders*

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This deviation memorandum extends the deviation issued by the Aircraft Certification Service Production and Airworthiness Division (AIR-200) memorandum originally issued on December 5, 2012, and renewed through Fiscal Year (FY) 2014. AIR-200 issued the original memorandum in response to a request for a deviation from FAA Order 8100.7E, *Aircraft Certification Systems Evaluation Program* (ACSEP). Specifically, a manufacturing inspection office requested that a new employee be authorized to participate as an evaluator-in-training before attending the formal online/classroom audit training. This was based on the fact that the employee's manufacturing inspection district office was scheduled to support numerous ACSEP evaluations before the next formal classroom session was offered.

Since the release of the December 2012 deviation memorandum, FAA Order 8100.7 has been replaced by FAA Order 8120.23, and ACSEP evaluations have been replaced by Quality System Audits (QSA). Paragraph 3-21a of the new order contains the specific requirement to which this current deviation memorandum applies.

The offering of online/classroom QSA training was limited throughout FY 2014 due to changes involving the deployment of the Certificate Management Information System (CMIS)/ACAIS automation tool and changes in the methods by which noncompliances are documented. As the QSA training course offerings are still lagging behind the demand for qualified QSA team members, AIR-100 approves the renewal of the deviation extension for all auditors-in-training. This deviation will remain valid through FY 2015, unless rescinded earlier by this office.

An auditor-in-training must successfully complete the formal online/classroom components of QSA training before their participation as a member of a QSA team.

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