

UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

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AFFECTED PRODUCTS

Radome boots manufactured and sold by AeroTect Paint Protection for installation on Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) type-certificated aircraft.

PURPOSE

This notification advises all aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, parts suppliers, and distributors of radome boots manufactured and sold by AeroTect Paint Protection, from April 2011, to present, without FAA production approval.

BACKGROUND

Information discovered during an FAA Suspected Unapproved Parts (SUP) investigation revealed that AeroTect Paint Protection, located at 846 W Cienega Ave, San Dimas, CA 91773, has manufactured protective radome boots for aircraft components without FAA production approval since April 2011, when the FAA amended the Federal Aviation Regulations¹ for "Replacement and Modification Articles."

The radome boots produced and/or sold by AeroTect Paint Protection may have these characteristics:

- No evidence indicating the articles were produced by an FAA-approved manufacturer.
- Articles are not marked with the words "FAA-PMA" or TSO number markings.

RECOMMENDATIONS

FAA regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. The FAA encourages aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, and parts suppliers and distributors to inspect their aircraft and/or aircraft parts inventory for the referenced part numbers. If these radome boots are found in existing inventory, the FAA recommends that they be quarantined to prevent installation until a determination can be made regarding their eligibility for installation.

¹ Production and Airworthiness Approvals, Part Marking, and Miscellaneous Amendments; Docket No. FAA-2006-25877; 74 FR 53368 and 75 FR 9095.

FURTHER INFORMATION

You may obtain further information concerning this investigation from the FAA certificate management section below. In addition to the above recommendations, the FAA would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of the above-referenced articles from any source, the means used to identify the source, and the actions taken to remove the articles from the aircraft and/or parts inventories

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