


<b>EASA</b>	<b>NOTIFICATION OF A PROPOSAL TO ISSUE AN AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE</b>	
	<b>PAD No.: 15-003</b>  <b>Date: 20 January 2015</b>  Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.	
	In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the issuance of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below. All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation closing date indicated.	
<b>Design Approval Holder's Name:</b> ALLSTAR PZL GLIDER Sp. z o.o.		<b>Type/Model designation(s):</b> SZD-50-3 "Puchacz" sailplanes
TCDS Number: EASA.A.312		
Foreign AD: Not applicable		
Supersedure: None		
<b>ATA 27</b>	<b>Flight Controls – Rudder Control Cable Fitting – Inspection / Reinforcement</b>	
Manufacturer(s):	Allstar PZL Glider Sp. z o.o. (Allstar PZL) Przedsiębiorstwo Doświadczalno-Produkcyjne Szybownictwa „PZL-Bielsko”.	
Applicability:	SZD-50-3 "Puchacz" sailplanes, all serial numbers.	
Reason:	<p>An occurrence was reported involving a SZD-50-3 "Puchacz" sailplane, where a rudder cable fitting block, located in the forward part of the fuselage, detached after application of a high load on the steering pedal during spin recovery operation. Subsequent investigations determined that the failure was either caused by a manufacturing deficiency or originated by a crack.</p> <p>This condition, if not detected and corrected, could lead to further cases of rudder cable fitting block detachment, resulting in reduced control of the sailplane.</p> <p>To address this unsafe condition, Allstar PZL issued Service Bulletin (SB) No. BE-063/SZD-50-3/2014, to provide inspection and reinforcement instructions.</p> <p>For the reasons described above, this AD requires accomplishment of a one-time inspection of both (right hand (RH) and left hand (LH)) rudder cable fitting blocks to verify proper attachment to the fuselage shell and, depending on finding(s), a repair. This AD also requires reinforcement of the affected structural area.</p>	
Effective Date:	[TBD: 14 days after final AD issue date]	

<p>Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):</p>	<p>Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Within 30 days after the effective date of this AD, inspect the area around both (RH and LH) rudder cable fitting blocks in accordance with the instructions of Allstar PZL SB No. BE-063/SZD-50-3/2014.</li> <li>(2) If, during the inspection as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, any crack or fitting block detachment is detected, before next flight, repair and reinforce the attachment of both (RH and LH) rudder cable fitting blocks in accordance with the instructions of Allstar PZL SB No. BE-063/SZD-50-3/2014.</li> <li>(3) Unless accomplished as required by paragraph (2) of this AD, within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, reinforce the attachment of both (RH and LH) rudder cable fitting blocks in accordance with the instructions of Allstar PZL SB No. BE-063/SZD-50-3/2014.</li> </ol>
<p>Ref. Publications:</p>	<p>Allstar PZL SB No. BE-063/SZD-50-3/2014 dated 14 December 2014.</p> <p>The use of later approved revisions of this document is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.</p>
<p>Remarks:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This Proposed AD will be closed for consultation on 17 February 2015.</li> <li>2. Enquiries regarding this PAD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail: <a href="mailto:ADs@easa.europa.eu">ADs@easa.europa.eu</a>.</li> <li>3. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this PAD, please contact: Allstar PZL Glider Sp. z o.o., ul. Cieszyńska 325 43-300 Bielsko-Biała / Poland Telephone / Fax: +48 33 812 50 26, E-mail: <a href="mailto:techsupport@szd.com.pl">techsupport@szd.com.pl</a>.</li> </ol>