



EASA Safety Information Bulletin

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Subject: Parts produced and sold without an FAA production approval.

Ref. Publication: FAA Unapproved Parts Notification (UPN) No. 2008-200500151 dated 21 April 2008.

Description: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has published the referenced UPN (attached as pages 2, 3 and 4 of this bulletin) as a result of an investigation that revealed that certain sewn and woven textile products such as seat covers, carpeting, float covers, straps and other associated parts were produced and sold directly to Bell helicopter owners, operators, maintenance organizations, and parts distributors, without an FAA production approval.

Applicability: Parts held as spares and identified in the attached FAA UPN; and any Bell helicopters which have the affected parts, as identified in the attached FAA UPN, installed.
The FAA has not determined the full range of helicopter types and models on which these components are (intended to be) installed.

Contact: For further information contact the Airworthiness Directives, Safety Management & Research Section, Certification Directorate, EASA.
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UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

Aircraft Certification Service



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<http://www.faa.gov/aircraft/safety/programs/sups/upn>

AFFECTED PRODUCTS:

Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. -Models to include: 204, 205, 206, 209, 212, 222, 412, and possibly other models.

Note: Additional aircraft manufacturer's models may be affected; however, specific information pertaining to these products is unknown at this time.

PURPOSE:

This notification advises all aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, and parts distributors, of the listed models of aircraft, and possibly other models, that unapproved parts were sold and may have been installed on these aircraft.

BACKGROUND:

During the course of a suspected unapproved parts investigation (SUP) of Beloate's Aircraft Trim, Inc, 4408 Haltom Road, Haltom City, Texas, 76117, FAA inspectors discovered that sewn and woven textile products such as seat covers, carpeting, float covers, straps and other associated parts were produced and sold directly to aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, and parts distributors, when Beloate's did not hold any FAA production approval.

Below is a list of the known part numbers that Beloate's produced and sold without an FAA production approval.

OEM P/N	Part Nomenclature	Beloate's P/N
212-050-208-004	Float cover - Gray	BAC1250208
204-001-328-047	Cover cyclic boot	BAC401328-47
204-070-470-001	Cover assy, pitot tube	BAC470470-1
204-070-470-001	Cover assy, pitot tube	BAC570614-42
205-060-923-001	Firewall boot assy.	BAC560923-1
205-070-608-067	Firewall boot assy.	BAC570608-67
205-070-613-059	Cover assy.	BAC1470426-101
205-070-772-001	Strap assy	BAC570772-1
205-070-792-039	Seat cover	BAC570792-39
205-070-792-045	Seat cover assy.	BAC570792-45
205-072-703-007	Seat assy. - Gray	BAC572703-7
205-072-704-007	Troop seat	BAC572704-7
205-072-707-001	Stanchion pad	BAC572704-1
205-072-707-001	Stanchion pad	BAC572707-1

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205-072-707-003	Pad assy.	BAC572707-3
205-072-713-001	Seat cover	BAC572713-1
205-072-713-008	Seat assy.	BAC572713-8
206-050-101	Float cover	BAC650247-101
206-050-188-003	Cover assy.	BAC650188-3
206-050-188-004	Float cover - Gray	BAC650188-4
206-050-188-005	Float cover - Gray	BAC650188-5
206-050-188-005	Float cover - Gray	BAC672216-105
206-050-188-006	Float cover - Gray	BAC650188-5
206-050-188-053s	Float cover assy.	BAC650188-53s
206-050-188-054s	Float cover - Gray	BAC650188-054
206-050-188-055	Cover assy.	BAC650188-54
206-050-188-056	Cover assy.	BAC650188-55
206-050-247-101	Float cover	BAC650247-101
206-050-247-103	Cover	BAC650247-103
206-050-247-109	Flap assy.	BAC650247-109
206-050-247-111	Flap assy.	BAC650247-111
206-050-247-135	Float cover	BAC650247-135
206-050-247-137	Float cover	BAC650247-137
206-050-247-138	Float cover	BAC650247-138
206-053-133-054	Float cover	BAC653133-54
206-070-740-169	Seat cover	BAC672352-1
206-070-797-037	Seat cover	BAC670740-169
206-072-250-111	Trim cover	BAC670797-37
209-062-519-001	Boot, oil cooler blower	BAC1270562-3B
209-070-731-003	Strap	BAC962519-1
212-050-208-002	Float cover	BAC1250208-1
212-050-208-003	Float cover	BAC1250208-2
212-050-208-004	Float cover - Gray	BAC1250208-3
212-050-208-052	Float cover assy.	BAC1250208-4
212-070-562-001	Blanket assy.- Roof	BAC1250208-52
212-070-562-001B	Blanket assy.	BAC1270562-1
212-070-562-003	Blanket assy.	BAC1270562-1B
212-070-562-005	Blanket assy.	BAC1270562-3
212-070-603-001	Blanket assy.	BAC1270562-5
212-070-603-001B	Blanket assy.	BAC1270603-1
212-070-604-001	Blanket assy.	BAC1270603-1B
212-070-604-001B	Blanket assy.	BAC1270604-1
212-070-604-002	Blanket assy.	BAC1270604-1B
212-070-604-002B	Blanket assy.	BAC1270604-2
212-070-605-003	Blanket assy.	BAC1270604-2B
212-070-605-003	Blanket assy.	BAC1270605-3
212-070-605-003B	Blanket assy.	BAC270605-3
212-070-605-004	Blanket assy.	BAC1270605-3B
212-070-605-004	Blanket assy.	BAC1270605-4
212-070-605-004B	Blanket assy.	BAC2700605-4
212-073-525-001	Streamer assy.	BAC1270605-4B

OEM P/N	Part Nomenclature	Beloate's P/N
214-070-426-101	RH tail cover	BAC1273525-1
412-050-017-133	Float cover assy.	BAC1350017-103
412-050-017-135	Float cover assy.	BAC1350017-133
412-050-017-135	Float cover assy.	BAC1350017
412-050-017-135	Float cover assy.	BAC1350017-133
412-186	Tie down application	BAC1350017-135
412-186-1	Tie down application	BAC412-186-1

Note: This list was compiled by the FAA and may not be all-inclusive. If you have any information identifying additional parts not listed above, please contact the FAA at the numbers listed under **“FURTHER INFORMATION.”**

RECOMMENDATIONS

Title 14 CFR § 21.303(a) states in part, no person may produce a modification or replacement part for sale for installation on a type certificated product unless it is produced pursuant to a Parts Manufacturer Approval (PMA). Further, Title 14 CFR § 21.303 (k), states that the holder of a PMA shall determine that each completed part conforms to the design data and is safe for installation on type certificated products. We recommend that aircraft owners, operators, maintenance organizations, and parts distributors inspect their aircraft, aircraft records, and parts inventory for any parts produced by Beloate's, and procured directly or through other non-OEM sources that are installed or are intended to be installed on a type certificated aircraft. If any suspect part produced by Beloate's has been installed on an aircraft, you should take appropriate action. If any of these suspect parts are found in existing stock, we recommend that the suspect part be segregated to prevent inadvertent installation until you can determine its eligibility for installation.

FURTHER INFORMATION

You can obtain further information concerning this investigation and guidance regarding the above-referenced parts from the FAA Manufacturing Inspection District Office (MIDO) shown below. In addition to compliance with the above recommendations, we would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of these or similar parts, the means used to identify the source, and any action taken.

This notice originated from the Fort Worth MIDO, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137, telephone (817) 222-5819, fax (817) 222-5995.