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Subject: BCA Purchase Order Note Q31 Requiring PC 700 Acknowledgment and No "FAA-PMA" Marking

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Applicable AP: ☒ All Models  ☐ 737  ☐ 747  ☐ 767  ☐ 777  ☐ 787  ☐

Boeing Proprietary: YES ☐ NO ☒

Additional information provided as attachments to bulletin: YES ☐ NO ☒

**Purpose:** To notify BCA Suppliers that BCA Purchase Order Note Q31 requires an acknowledgment statement on the shipping documentation that the "Seller hereby acknowledges that the parts and/or materials being shipped under this order are intended for use under Boeing's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued Production Certificate (PC) 700 and no articles (or constituent parts thereof) or the accompanying paperwork (e.g., packages, shippers, etc.) contain any Federal Aviation Administration-Parts Manufacturer Approval (FAA-PMA) markings."

BCA is granting an implementation period for compliance until May 1, 2018 to allow Suppliers time to be compliant.

**Background:** Parts ordered by BCA are to be produced pursuant to our PC 700 production certificate. PMA parts are produced under a Quality System required by the FAA, for which BCA has no oversight or involvement. BCA's procurement practices and position not to accept "FAA-PMA" marked parts into our Production System have been coordinated with the FAA.

**Bulletin:** This bulletin is to reiterate to the Boeing Commercial Airplanes (BCA) supply chain that parts procured by BCA in accordance with / under Boeing's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued Production Certificate 700 quality system supplier control program and "certified as acceptable" under Boeing's Production Certificate shall not have FAA-PMA markings on them, their constituent parts, nor shall the accompanying paperwork (e.g., packages, shippers, etc.) have PMA markings. This information is contractually conveyed to the BCA Supply Chain via BCA Purchase Order Note Q31 that includes the requirement for the supplier to include the following statement on the shipping documentation of all shipments to Boeing:

"Seller hereby acknowledges that the parts and/or materials being shipped under this order are intended for use under Boeing's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued Production Certificate 700 and no articles (or constituent parts thereof) or the accompanying paperwork (e.g., packages, shippers, etc.) contain any Federal Aviation Administration- Parts Manufacturer Approval (FAA-PMA) markings."

For suppliers that have verified they do not provide BCA with FAA-PMA parts, we thank you and request your compliance to the Q31 requirement no later than May 1, 2018.

For suppliers that either: (1) do have FAA-PMA parts (and/or FAA-PMA constituent parts thereof) that you provide to BCA), or (2) have not yet verified if you do have FAA-PMA parts or FAA-PMA constituent parts that you may be providing to BCA, the next step is to submit an FAA-PMA marking removal plan for approval via GRP FAA-PMA Removal Plan (faa-pmaremovalplan@boeing.com) and cc their Boeing Procurement Agents and Supplier Quality Representatives to ensure compliance on their BCA program parts.
The plan shall identify by part number / part family when Boeing may expect the BCA contracted part/assembly (including constituent parts within the Boeing-procured end item part) to be received without FAA-PMA marking. The BCA contracted supplier should take into consideration its build rate, stock levels, whether any drawings will need to be revised as well as its anticipated aftermarket PMA sales to establish its commitment date.

For this effort, BCA will accept a reasonable supplier plan to use up existing inventory of any parts that already include FAA-PMA markings. For parts currently in BCA contracted supplier inventory, suppliers will need to check their usage / sales rates for airlines, overhaul/repair stations, modification centers, etc. because those customer-procured parts will continue to require FAA-PMA marking. If the BCA approved supplier’s drawing currently requires the FAA-PMA marking, the drawing shall be revised to eliminate the requirement.

The agreed upon plan will be referenced in the BCA contract as our mutual working together, living agreement and will include the specific transition wording the supplier will use on the shipping documentation to be compliant with the Q31 requirement as being:

“Seller hereby acknowledges that the parts and/or materials being shipped under this order are intended for use under Boeing’s Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued Production Certificate 700 and no articles (or constituent parts thereof) or the accompanying paperwork (e.g., packages, shippers, etc.) contain any Federal Aviation Administration- Parts Manufacturer Approval (FAA-PMA) markings, except for those agreed to in the BCA Contracted Supplier-BCA transition plan (reference agreement #________).”

The agreed upon plan will also be referenced in BCA’s receiving plans.

BCA contracted suppliers are requested to flow down these expectations for PMA marking to their supply chain. BCA procured end-item-part suppliers should include language in their sub-tier supplier contracts that parts on order are in support of a Boeing order under Boeing’s FAA-approved quality system in accordance with / under Boeing’s Production Certificate quality system supplier control program and “certified as acceptable” under Boeing’s FAA-issued Production Certificate.

Reference:
SB09-015: Parts Manufacturer Approval (PMA) Identified Parts in a Production Certificate (PC) Environment
SB10-030: No ‘Parts Manufacturer Approval’ (PMA) marking allowed on BCA procured parts under Boeing’s Production Certificate
SB12-017: Q31 Note Change
SB15-054: Awareness and Reinforcement of Requirements
SB17-152: Q31 Note Change

Compliance Requirements: YES ☐ NO ☒

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Acronyms:
BCA Boeing Commercial Airplanes
FAA Federal Aviation Administration
PC Production Certificate
PMA Parts Manufacturer Approval