

# UNAPPROVED PARTS NOTIFICATION

Aircraft Certification Service



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## **AFFECTED PRODUCTS:**

Airplane Seat Belt Extenders for use on commercial aircraft, produced for Seat Belt Extender Pros and More of Me to Love companies by a supplier, Quingyuan, located in China were sold online via their internet websites.

## **PURPOSE:**

This notification advises all aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, and parts suppliers and distributors regarding seat belt extenders produced without Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) production approval.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Information received during an FAA suspected unapproved parts investigation revealed that, Seat Belt Extender Pros and More of Me to Love, 7015 Northgreen Drive, Sandy Spring, Georgia, sold unapproved seat belt extenders without FAA TSO Authorization and were not marked in accordance with TSO-C22g (Safety Belts) requirements. Consequently, these Airplane Seat Belt Extenders were not manufactured and tested to the necessary standards required for use on U.S. certificated aircraft.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Regulations require that type-certificated products conform to their type design. Aircraft owners, operators, manufacturers, maintenance organizations, parts suppliers and distributors are encouraged to inspect their aircraft and/or parts inventories for the referenced Seat Belt Extender Pros or More of Me to Love seat belt extenders. If these Airplane Seat Belt Extenders are found in existing inventory, it is recommended that they be quarantined to prevent installation until a determination can be made regarding their origin and eligibility for installation.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

You can obtain further information concerning this investigation from the FAA Manufacturing Inspection District Office (MIDO) listed below. In addition to the above recommendations, the FAA would appreciate any information concerning the discovery of the above-referenced Seat Belt Extenders from any source, the means used to identify the source, and the actions taken to remove them from aircraft and/or parts inventories.

This notice originated from the FAA Atlanta Manufacturing Inspection District Office, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park GA 30337 (CE-42), 404-474-5700, fax number 404-474-5707.