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LETTER TO OWNERS/OPERATORS NO 1798 STAMPE SV4 SERIES AIRCRAFT REPORTED POOR THREAD QUALITY OF FUSELAGE LATERAL TIE RODS PART NO. S1500-05

A Mandatory Occurrence Report has been received by the CAA relating to the above subject. Although the investigation has only just been initiated and no conclusions have been reached it is felt that all Stampe owners/operators should be made aware of the situation relating to Lateral Tie Rods Part Number S1500-05 received from Jacottet Industrie in France.

It is reported that excessive looseness of the nuts (Part Number S1500-06) was found on the tie rod possibly due to the oversize of the nut and poorly formed thread on the rod.

We are seeking to clarify the position with the manufacturer and the French Authority as a matter of urgency and it is emphasised that at this time no conclusive evidence of the parts being unacceptable has been found by the CAA. However, due to the critical nature of these parts general awareness is considered essential.

Any owner/operator requiring additional information or finding similar instances should contact Mr S P Parker, Approvals and Quality Assurance Section (Telephone No 01293 573190) at the above address.

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