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Safety Alert for Operators

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A SAFO contains important safety information and may include recommended action. SAFO content should be especially valuable to air carriers in meeting their statutory duty to provide service with the highest possible degree of safety in the public interest. Besides the specific action recommended in a SAFO, an alternative action may be as effective in addressing the safety issue named in the SAFO.

Subject: Emergency Airworthiness Directive (EAD) on Basik Air Concept Parachutes

**Purpose:** This SAFO alerts owners, operators, and riggers of **Basik Air Concept Parachutes** that the Directorate General for Civil Aviation (France) or Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (DGAC) has issued EAD UF-2012-007.

**Background:** Basik Air Concept manufactured and shipped a reserve parachute systems without production approval from the DGAC. The DGAC issued EAD UF-2012-007 for any reserve parachute system, or element of such a system such as harnesses, reserve canopies and associated accessories, manufactured by Basik Air Concept, and delivered after September 30, 2011 without an EASA Form 1 release certificate. This EAD specifies returning the referenced system to the manufacturer, Basik Air Concept, to verify conformity to an approved design as verified by the DGAC.

**Note:** The airworthiness concern is not considered an unsafe condition that would warrant airworthiness directive action under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR) part 39.

**For Related Information:** The DGAC Emergency Airworthiness Directive UF-2012-007, along with an English language translation, can be accessed at <a href="http://www.ffp.asso.fr/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/CN\_UF-2012-007\_Basik\_Air\_Concept.pdf">http://www.ffp.asso.fr/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/CN\_UF-2012-007\_Basik\_Air\_Concept.pdf</a>.

**Recommended Action:** Although compliance with DGAC EAD UF-2012-007 is not mandatory in the United States, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) recommends that all owners, operators, and riggers of affected Basik Air Concept parachutes comply with the EAD.

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