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Ms. Sarah MacLeod Executive Director Aeronautical Repair Station Association 121 North Henry Street Alexandria, VA 22314-2903

Dear Ms. MacLeod:

This letter is a response to your request for clarification/change to Advisory Circular (AC) 65-25D, Aviation Maintenance Technician Awards Program, dated November 8, 2007.

The Federal Aviation Administration Safety Team (FAASTeam) is presently preparing a revision to AC 65-25D. The AC will include the following change to paragraph 4(b), FAA Training Seminar.

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b. FAA Training Seminar. A seminar of at least 50 minutes constitutes one training hour. The seminar must cover FAA maintenance or airworthiness regulations and related policy and be conducted by FAA personnel or by persons acceptable to the FAA. Persons acceptable to the FAA are: properly trained and current FAA aviation safety inspector (ASIs), FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) Program Managers/ FAASTeam Representatives, mechanics with inspection authorizations (IA), and Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 145 and 147 instructors. FAA training seminars lasting at least 50 minutes may be combined to meet the two-hour requirement of the desired award. FAA courses on regulations and policies that exceed two hours are considered credible training for all awards.

We agree this change will acknowledge regulatory training courses developed and provided under 14 CFR part 145 approved training programs are conducted by "persons acceptable to the FAA."

The revised AC should be published no later than December 31, 2008. Thank you for your suggestion to clarify this matter.

Sincerely,

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