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EASA requires “trace documentation” (EASA Form 1 or FAA Form 8130) for all new articles (see MAG, Section B, paragraph 10(k)).

The FAA specifically rejected the requirement that the production approval holder issue an FAA Form 8130-3 (See the preamble to the final rule, titled “Production and Airworthiness Approvals, Part Marking, and Miscellaneous Amendments” at 74 FR 53369).
Part Tagging Requirements

• EASA has also stated that “components” include detail piece-parts destined for installation into a higher assembly, creating further complications (see EASA letter dated July 6, 2011).

• U.S. businesses and FAA resources are unnecessarily burdened by this significant administrative requirement with no safety benefit.
Acceptance of Common Release Certificate

• Triple release addressed in MAG Change 3 between U.S., TCCA and EASA

• Industry will continue to push for mutual acceptance of a single form as an approval for return to service document for use by repair facilities that are certificated by multiple national aviation authorities (see Oct. 27, 2009 letter to FAA, EASA, TCCA, CASA and NZ CAA)
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