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**Federal Aviation
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Mr. Robert L. Nuckolls, III
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Dear Mr. Nuckolls:

This is in response to your letter expressing your support for Mr. Bill Bainbridge, president of B&C Products, Inc., (B&C).

This letter confirms that the enforcement case against B&C has been withdrawn, and that no further action is contemplated on B&C for any parts that have been properly installed on aircraft in accordance with the field approval process. In addition, B&C parts can be installed on certificated products, if they are approved through the field approval process.

We believe there is room for more improvement in the field approval process, and we have begun a review of the process, as well as the policy guidance, used by our inspector workforce when performing field approvals. We believe it is appropriate to have the aviation community involved in this review.

Mr. Bainbridge has been affected by these circumstances and we regret that final closure of the case took so long. However, his case raised a number of significant, and difficult, issues.

Mr. Bainbridge has been informed of the appropriate points of contact for the supplemental type certificate for an alternator and for his production issues. With this support, we believe Mr. Bainbridge's project will be successful.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. McSweeny
Associate Administrator for
Regulation and Certification