PRODUCT SERVICE BULLETIN

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Note:

Subject: Immediate and mandatory cutter replacement

Identification: Argus Cutter PN# manufactured before Sept. 07 and manufactured for Aviacom SA by Nobel Energetics

Background:

This service bulletin has been issued in response to the findings of the final report of the Polish Authorities and by recommendation of the USPA after recent incidents.

Service bulletin:
Systems that have a cutter with a manufacturing date before Sept. 07 must have the cutter replaced with a model manufactured in September 07 or later before the next jump.

Cutters manufactured in September '07 and after are hardened following a different process resulting in a increased hardness of the blade and a cleaner cut by loops with lesser tension.

The cutter's manufacturing date can be identified by the cable tag.

Any senior or master rigger can unscrew the cutter and replace the old cutter with the approved one. The connector must be locked hand tight in order to ensure water resistance.

Compliance date: Before the next jump

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