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# Memorandum

**Subject:** **ACTION:** AIR-200 Policy Memorandum 99-08, Issuance  
of Manufacturer's Maintenance Facility Numbers

**Date:** July 20, 1999

**From:** Manager, Production and Airworthiness  
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Reply to  
Attn. of:

**To:** All Aircraft Certification Directorates  
All Manufacturing Inspection Offices,  
District/Satellite Offices,  
Certificate Management Offices/Units

**PURPOSE:** This policy memorandum is issued to establish a standardized system for issuing Manufacturer's Maintenance Facility (MMF) numbers to Production Approval Holders (PAH) requesting limited repair station authority.

**BACKGROUND:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order 8120.2A, Production Approval and Surveillance, paragraph 197c(5), states that MMF numbers are assigned by the Flight Standards Operational Systems Branch, AVN-120. Current information indicates that Flight Standards has not issued MMF numbers for some time. It was thought that MMFs would eventually be replaced by part 145 certificated repair stations. At this time, however, that has not transpired, making the information in paragraph 197c(5) obsolete. Over the years, several offices have devised individual systems for assigning MMF numbers, creating inconsistencies within the directorates and throughout the Aircraft Certification Service (AIR).

**CHANGE:** To ensure standardization throughout AIR, a system for issuance of MMF numbers has been developed. For those offices certificating new MMFs, the method for assigning numbers is hereby changed in Order 8120.2A, paragraph 197c(5) as follows:

An alphanumeric number will be assigned by the local MIO/MIDO beginning with the three-letter designator for the directorate (i.e., ACE, ANE, ANM, or ASW). The next three numbers will represent the MIO/MIDO office (e.g., 180, 041, 042, etc.). The last three numbers will be assigned sequentially (e.g., 001, 002, 003, etc.). This unique number is to be entered on FAA Form 8000-4 prior to issuance. MISOs requiring issuance of an MMF for their PAHs should request a number from their cognizant MIO/MIDO.

Offices which have previously issued MMF numbers will not be required to re-issue certificates utilizing the new numbering system. This change will be incorporated into the next revision of Order 8120.2.

If you have any additional questions, please contact a member of the Production and Airworthiness Certification Division at (202) 267-8361.

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