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Mr. Jack Mill FAA/DOA Coordinator The Piper Aircraft, Inc 2926 Piper Drive Vero Beach, Florida 32960

Dear Mr. Mill:

This letter is in response to Mr. Jack Mill e-mail dated September 17, 2008, requesting an alternate means of compliance (AMOC) to Airworthiness Directive (AD) 77-13-21 for Piper Model PA-24, PA-24-250, PA-24-260, PA-24-400, PA-30 and PA-39 aircraft. This AD is to prevent the failure of the normal gear extension due to worn out parts or component that exceeded the published tolerances as indicate on page 3 of Piper Service Letter (SL) 782A, dated March 21, 1977.

Your e-mail indicated that Piper SL 782B has superseded SL 782A, and requested that SL 782B be accepted as an AMOC to AD 77-13-21.

We have reviewed your request and find that SL 782B may be used in lieu of SL 782A when complying with AD 77-13-21. This AMOC does not relieve any other requirements of the AD.

When complying with AD 77-13-21 using this alternate means of compliance, a copy of this letter shall be inserted into the maintenance records of the airplane. Please include a copy of this AMOC when distributing SL 782B.

Sincerely,

Melvin D. Taylor

Manager, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office