

Aviation Group Client Update

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FAA ISSUES CIVIL PENALTIES TO REPAIR STATIONS FOR DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM VIOLATIONS

FAA proposed civil penalties against three unrelated California-based certified repair stations for alleged violations of drug and alcohol testing regulations.

A \$246,450 penalty was proposed against <u>Woodward, Inc.</u> and its subsidiary HRT related to allegedly failing to conduct and receive verified negative results before hiring or transferring twelve people to safety-sensitive maintenance positions and related to persons within the testing pool. FAA also cited a failure to administer a return-to-duty test after an employee returned to work after a substance abuse treatment program and for using an expired intoximeter to perform calibration checks on a testing device.

<u>GKN Aerospace Chem-Tronics, Inc.</u> received a proposed penalty of \$359,350 for allegedly failing to conduct and receive verified negative results of the required pre-employment drug tests on seventeen employees. FAA also cited issues involving random selection of individuals for alcohol testing, return-to-duty tests, and post-accident drug testing.

FAA proposed a penalty of \$205,250 against <u>Cicor Aerospace, Inc.</u> for allegedly failing to conduct and receive verified negative drug tests before hiring twenty-nine people to perform safety-sensitive work. FAA also alleged that the company failed to include two individuals in its random drug and alcohol testing pool.

In the first six months of 2012, FAA finalized alcohol and drug-testing related civil penalties against fourteen different companies encompassing a total assessment of \$263,365.

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