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AD No.: 2013-0126 Date: 06 June 2013 Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.

This AD is issued in accordance with EU 748/2012, Part 21.A.3B. In accordance with EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an AD applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that AD, unless otherwise specified by the Agency [EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].

Design Approval Holder's Name: FOKKER SERVICES B.V.		Type/Model designation(s): F27 aeroplanes
TCDS Number:	EASA.A.036	
Foreign AD:	Not applicable	
Supersedure:	None	
ATA 28	Fuel – Fuel Tanks – Modification [Fuel Tank Safety]	
Manufacturer(s):	Fokker Aircraft B.V.	
Applicability:	F27 Mark 050, Mark 0502 and Mark 0604 aeroplanes, all serial numbers.	
Reason:	Prompted by an accident of a Boeing 747-131 (flight TWA800), the FAA published Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) 88, and the Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) published Interim Policy INT/POL/25/12.	
	The review conducted by Fokker Services on the Fokker 50/60 design in response to these regulations revealed that no controlled bonding provisions are present on a number of critical locations in the fuel system outside the fue tanks.	
	This condition, if not corrected, could create an ignition source in the fuel tank vapour space, possibly resulting in a fuel tank explosion and consequent loss the aeroplane.	
	For the reasons described above, this AD requires installation of additional electrical bonding provisions in the fuel system outside the fuel tanks and, subsequently, implementation of the associated Fuel Airworthiness Limitation Item (ALI) and Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations (CDCCL).	
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Required Action(s)	Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.		
and Compliance Time(s):			
	(1) Within 24 months after the effective date of this AD, install the additional bonding provisions in the fuel system outside the fuel tanks in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Fokker Services Service Bulletin (SB) SBF50-28-039 Revision 1.		
	Note 1: The actions required by paragraph (1) of this AD do not require opening of any fuel tank access panels.		
	(2) Installation of bonding provisions in an aeroplane in accordance with Part 2 and/or Part 4 of SBF50-28-039 at original issue dated 01 November 2012 is acceptable to comply with the requirements of paragraph (1) of this AD for that aeroplane with respect to the corresponding parts of SBF50-28-039 at Revision 1.		
	Note 2: For parts of SBF50-28-039 not referenced in paragraph (2) of this AD, Revision 1 of the SB must be used, because the relevant instructions of those parts in the original SB contain errors and cannot be accomplished.		
	(3) Fuel ALI and CDCCL: After modification of an aeroplane as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, ensure that the additional bonding provisions remain installed on that aeroplane in compliance with the requirements of this AD.		
	(4) Compliance with the requirement of paragraph (3) of this AD can be demonstrated by:		
	(4.1) Revising as follows the approved aircraft maintenance programme on the basis of which the operator or the owner ensures the continuing airworthiness of each operated aeroplane:		
	Incorporate the Fuel ALI and CDCCL items in accordance with the information in paragraph 1.L.(1).(c) of Fokker Services SBF50-28-039 original issue or Revision 1,		
	and		
	(4.2) Complying with the approved aircraft maintenance programme described in paragraph (4.1) of this AD.		
	Note 3: More information on this subject can be found in Fokker Services All Operators Message AOF50.050#04.		
Ref. Publications:	Fokker Services SBF50-28-039 dated 01 November 2012, and Revision 1 dated 25 April 2013.		
	Fokker Services AOF50.050#04 dated 25 April 2013.		
	The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.		
Remarks:	 If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD. 		
	 This AD was posted on 08 January 2013 as PAD 13-006 for consultation until 05 February 2013. No comments were received during the consultation period. 		
	 Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Executive Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu. 		
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