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# Service Letter No. 72

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**SUBJECT:** Glider/Banner Tow Release Handle Installation inspection and Mounting Bracket orientation correction, if required.

**AIRPLANES AFFECTED:** All Maule Models with Glider/Banner Tow Hitch.

**STATUS:** This Service Letter should be considered a caution of a potential safety problem.

**BACKGROUND:** It has come to our attention that a Glider Tow Release Handle Mounting Bracket was installed in the wrong direction on the airplane floorboard in the field. Upon viewing the drawing showing the Bracket installation, we observed that it was in error and it has been corrected. Bracket is shown in the correct orientation on page 2 of this Service Letter. A long and many time Glider Tow Equipment installer at Maule said the Mounting Bracket had always been correctly placed by him here at the factory.

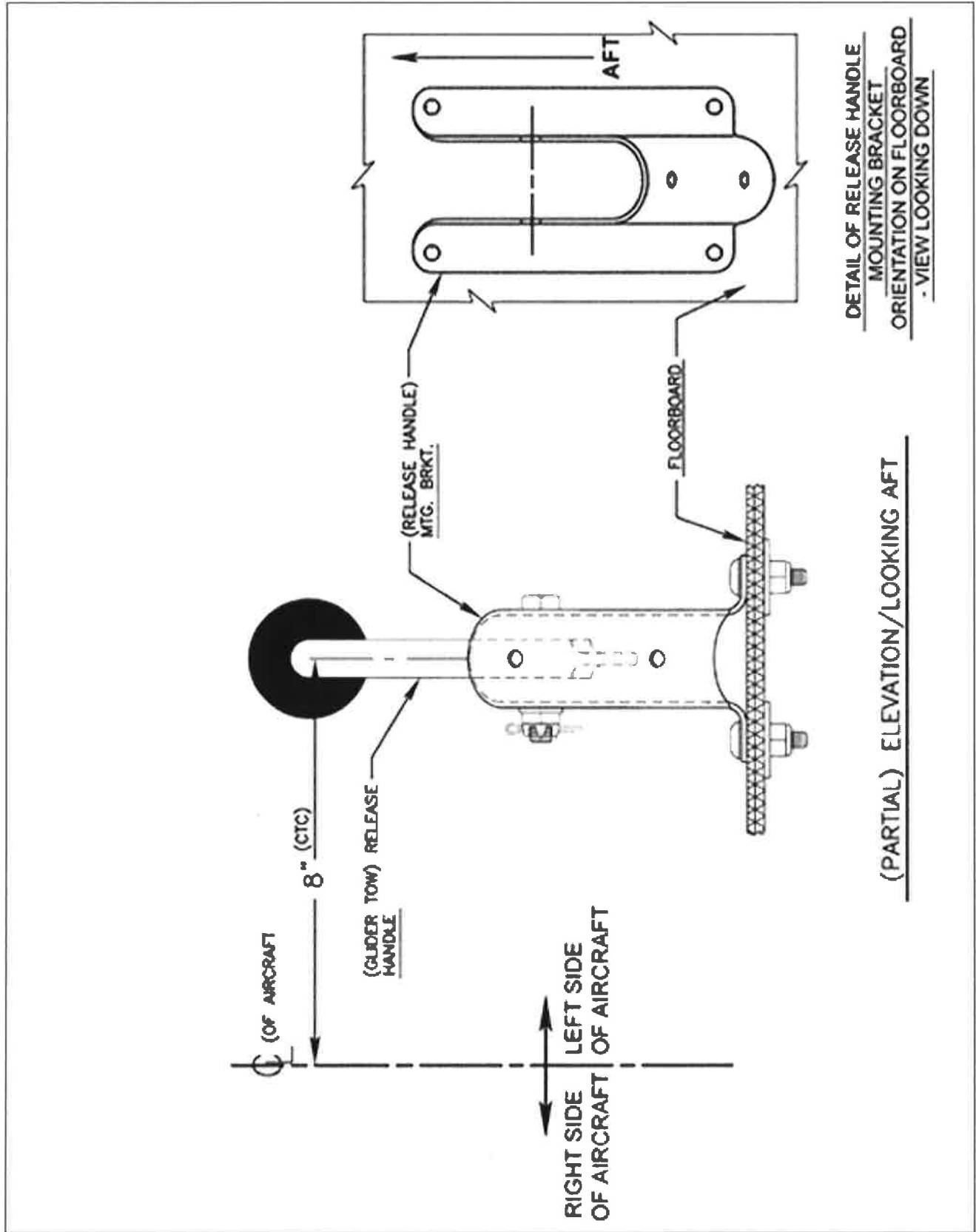
**COMPLIANCE:** Compliance with this Service Letter is considered mandatory before next glider or banner towing flight.

**ACTION TO BE TAKEN:**

- 1) Check heading of Mounting Bracket installation using sketch on page 2. Take note that the higher end of the bracket is toward the rear of airplane and that the location of the installation is on the pilot's (left) side.
- 2) If installation is as it should be, no further action is required.
- 3) If Bracket is in the reversed direction, correct installation before further towing flight.

Note: Page 3 is the Compliance Record Sheet.

Sketch for inspection and of detailed heading correction if necessary:





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## COMPLIANCE RECORD SHEET

Aircraft Model \_\_\_\_\_ Aircraft Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Action taken (PLEASE CHECK if applicable):

**Complied with Service Letter No. 72**

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's email Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Certified by \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Owner, A & P. IA. Etc.

Date performed \_\_\_\_\_

If you no longer own this airplane, please fill in new owner's information and return to factory address below:

New Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

New Owner's Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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