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Cessna Aircraft

Discussion Points

- Concern
- Cessna perspective
- Home Runs
- Additional Opportunities
- Concluding Remarks



Concern

- Potential for inconsistent application of the Commerce Department's export regulations and the DOD ITAR requirements.
- Industry input ?



Cessna Aircraft

Cessna Experience

• Structural Bonding

- Composite to composite
- Composite to metal
- Metal to metal
- Composite Applications
 - Pressure bulkhead
 - Unpressurized primary structure
 - Control surfaces
 - Interior structures



Home Runs

- Fundamentals of bonding
- Durability and damage tolerance of composite structures
- Aging of composite structures
- Certification of metal/composite hybrid structures
- Aeroelastic response of composite structures
- Environmental effects on composite repairs
- Material and process controls



Additional Opportunities

- Revisit "Building Block" pyramid to optimize/combine the lower level coupon-based tiers.
- Validation tests
 - NDE composite analog for aluminum "conductivity" or steel "hardness" test
 - NDE "bond meter" (control, but validate)
- Addition threats:
 - Lightning strike probability of damage combined with probability of maximum loads.



Concluding Remarks

- Thanks to the FAA for their open dialog approach between the regulatory agency, industry and academia.
- Breadth of industry involvement is an indication of the relevance and focus of the work.
- Building new technology and understanding on a foundation of "lessons learned".