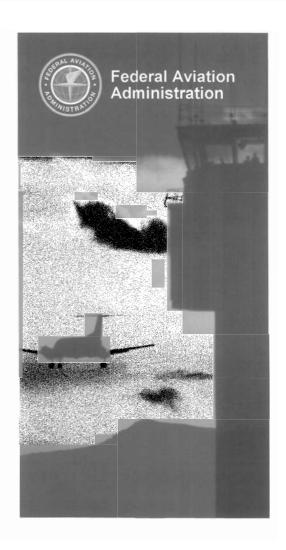
# Enhanced Airworthiness Program for Airplane Systems (EAPAS) and Fuel Tank Safety (FTS)

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#### Introduction

- What is EAPAS/FTS
- Airplane Wiring Concerns
- Safety Record of Present Wiring
- History Leading to Rules Changes

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# **Factors Affecting Wiring**

- Design
- Maintenance
- Operation
- Training
- Repair
- Installation
- Environment
- Abuse
- Awareness
- ......and TIME ...... A63

#### The FAA Approach to EAPAS/FTS

- EAPAS/FTS Philosophy
- Implementation Plan
- Rasing the Oversight Bar

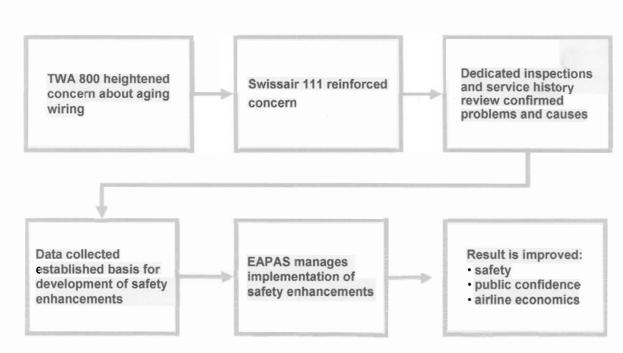
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# Why EAPAS?

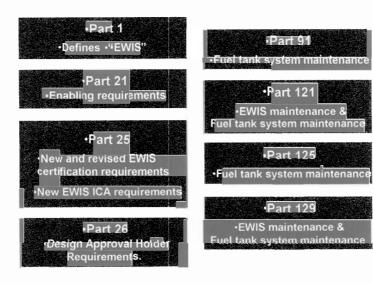


- What the Rules Changes do
  - Adds and Revises Rules for Airplane Wiring
  - Requires OEM, ST Holders and Operators to make changes
  - Address Continued Airworthiness Tasks retroactively

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#### Advantages of the New Rules

- Reduces Incidents of Wire Failure events
- Reduces Airline Operating Costs
- Increases Airplane Safety

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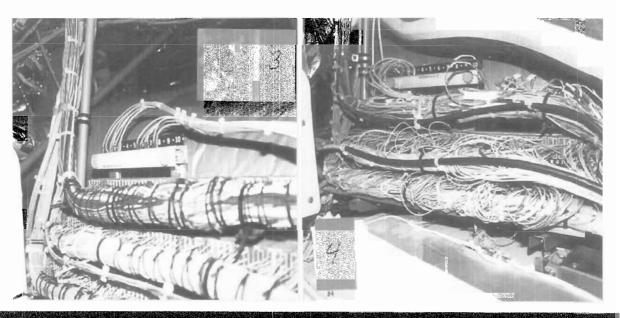


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# Aircraft Wiring – Simple System in Theory

- Conductor + insulators
- Connections
- Circuit breakers, switches, relays, ...
- Supports such as clamp, bracket, conduit, ...

# In-Service Wiring Clamping and Tiewrap Problem – Example



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# Aircraft Wiring – Complex System in Reality

- Many miles of wiring
- Virtually every function of aircraft controlled by wire
- Treated with "fit and forget" attitude
- Affected by multiple stressors
- Failure poses potentially catastrophic functional and/or physical hazards

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Title in Subpart H	Final Rule
Definition	25.1701
Functions and Installation: EWIS	25.1703
Systems and Functions: EWIS	25.1705
System Separation: EWIS	25.1707
System Safety: EWIS	25.1709
Component Identification: EWIS	25.1711

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Powerplants: EWIS	25.1725
Flammable fluid shutoff means: EWIS	25.1727
Instructions for Continued Airworthiness – EWIS	25.1729
Powerplant and APU fire detector system: EWIS	25.1731
Fire detector systems, general: EWIS	25.1733

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Fire Protection: EWIS	25.1713
Electrical Bonding and Protection against Static Electricity: EWIS	25.1715
Circuit Protective Devices: EWIS	25.1717
Accessibility Provisions: EWIS	25.1719
Protection of EWIS	25.1721
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