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**AIRCRAFT ENGINE MECHANIC AND BROKER CONVICTED
OF CONSPIRING TO SELL AIRCRAFT ENGINES THAT WERE NOT SAFE**

**Some victim purchasers were forced to make
emergency landings after engines failed.**

Oklahoma City - John C. Richter, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, announced today that **ALLEN D. GOOD**, 36, of Moore, Oklahoma, and **ROBERT EVAN PARKER**, 43, of Yukon, Oklahoma, were convicted in federal court of conspiracy and false statements arising from their overhaul and sale of aircraft engines that were not safe and that were accompanied by engine logbooks that misrepresented the work performed on the engines. The jury also convicted Parker of mail fraud stemming from a victim in Utah who was induced to mail a cashier's check to Oklahoma City to pay for one of the faulty engines.

"This case was about lies and greed," said U.S. Attorney John C. Richter. "These defendants simply lied to buyers about the quality and safety of the engines leading them to believe the engines were safe -- when in fact they were not. The jury's verdict in this case sends a stern message of deterrence to those in the aviation industry who might put profits ahead of safety."

According to the indictment, during 2000, 2001, and 2002, Parker engaged Allen Good and his father, Larry Gene Good, to overhaul aircraft engines for individuals throughout the country who responded to classified advertisements that Parker had placed in an aviation publication. Most of the engines fell within the “experimental” category. The Goods did business as Good Aviation in Washington, Oklahoma. Larry Gene Good entered a plea to a lesser charge shortly before trial.

Purchasers and their aircraft engine mechanics from various states offered testimony that the engines sold by the defendants were not safe for use in flight. Several purchasers attempted to fly with the engines and were forced to land immediately because of engine problems.

According to the testimony at trial, Parker provided some of the parts for the engines and caused misleading engine data plates to be attached to some of the engines. The jury also heard evidence that these engines contained used parts that according to the logbooks should have been new, as well as parts stamped “not airworthy.”

After hearing three days of testimony before United States District Judge Stephen P. Friot, the jury returned the guilty verdicts.

Allen Good faces a potential penalty of 15 years in prison on each of four counts of conviction, in addition to a fine of up to \$250,000 on each count and restitution to victims. Parker faces the same potential penalties, plus up to five years in prison on the mail fraud conviction. Criminal forfeiture allegations against both defendants will be determined at a later time. Sentencing will take place in approximately ninety days.

These convictions are part of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Transportation, the Defense Criminal Investigative Service, and the Criminal Investigation Division of the Internal Revenue Service. The Oklahoma City Flight Standards District Office of the Federal Aviation Administration also provided assistance in the investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorneys Scott E. Williams and David L. Walling.

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