



Metal Innovations Receives Certification for Dash 8 Q400 Flap Track Repairs

Aerospace repair station is in small company to have FAA approved certification, saving maintenance costs of airplane owners buying new.

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Metal Innovations Inc. a Certified Women's Owned Business announced today that it has achieved FAA certification for approved repairs for all flap tracks pre and post need for the Dash 8 Q400. This certification gives MII the opportunity to repair flap tracks to like new condition for a fraction of the cost of buying new. Attaining certification through the FAA is a rigorous process that can take years to finalize, which make this certification a major accomplishment for the MII team. Flap track repairs will be added to a long list of over 100 proprietary repairs held by MII for the Dash 8 Aircraft including exhaust pipes and shrouds.

MII is a certified repair station (#KW7R756N) located at the Aurora State Airport (KUAO) in a 26,000 square foot facility specializing in major and minor repairs, alterations, and modifications to sheet metal and composite material within the fixed and rotor wing marketplace. MII is a PMA authorized critical parts facility that is capable of manufacturing small parts to large complex assembly projects, utilizing materials of differing specifications.

“Our certifications and capabilities list is strong and growing each year,” says Owner Craig Wilmes, “but being one of the only companies certified for flap track repairs on the Dash 8 Q400 is really exciting.” CEO Kim Wilmes talks about the progression of MII, “We have worked very hard to get where we are today, and want to keep pushing ourselves to innovate and differentiate our product/offering from our competitors.”

To keep the company moving forward MII makes sure all of their employees are up to date with the latest training and certifications. This includes MII's team of A&P licensed Engineers with years of experience that can tackle any In-House RS-DER repair.

MII was founded by owners Kim and Craig Wilmes in 1996 in a small shop with no employees, and now has grown to be a leader in aerospace parts manufacturing and repairs in the composite and sheet metal aerospace industry. The FAA certification for repairs on flap tracks for the Dash 8 Q400 just adds to their

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