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SUBJECT: LQ6 Liquid Metering Valve

The LQ6 liquid-metering valve is the standard fuel metering valve with major OEMs of small and mid-sized aero-derivative turbine platforms. Woodward recognizes that owner/operators use this control equipment in critical applications with extended lifetimes. As a result, Woodward has implemented post-life support plans to support our customers for the life of the equipment well beyond the date new unit production stops. When the time comes to rationalize the LQ6 liquid-metering valve product line, Woodward will follow its standard rationalization plan. Generally, a valve, actuator or driver is not discontinued unless there is an alternative component that provides the same or better functionality/performance. In these cases, the typical notification prior to rationalization is one year. At the time the product is rationalized, the following product post-life support plan is followed:

Years 0 - 5:

- Unlimited Spare Valves
- Unlimited Repairs
- Replacement Exchange with Service Stock

Years: 5 - 10:

- Repairs based on parts availability
- Replacement Exchange with Service Stock
- Replacement product utilizing same functionality where applicable

Years: 10 - 20:

- Replacement Exchange with Service Stock
- Replacement product utilizing same functionality where applicable

Parts obsolescence from manufacturers can present a challenge to post-life support plans. When Woodward learns of component obsolescence, effort is made to ensure we meet a commitment plan from the component manufacturer. When possible, we make last time buys or occasionally redesign the affected part.

In summary, the LQ6 liquid-metering valve remains an active product offering to OEMs and end users with no rationalization date targeted. Once a rationalization date occurs, the product remains supported in excess of ten years.

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