

SERVICE



LETTER

Service Letter No. 282

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TO: All Distributors, Dealers and Owners

SUBJECT: Landing Gear Anti-Retraction Device

MODEL AFFECTED: PA-23 Apache

The current production Model PA-23 Apache airplanes are equipped with a device to prevent inadvertent retraction of the landing gear while the weight of the airplane is resting on its wheels. This device provides for a by-pass valve in the retraction side of the landing gear system. The valve remains open while the weight of the airplane is on the gear - thus preventing any pressure build-up in the "up" side of the gear. When the aircraft weight is lifted from the gear, the valve closes sealing the "up" side of the gear and the operation then becomes normal.

In keeping with our policy to make available to the owners of older Piper airplanes new improvements and safety features, we are offering through our distributors and dealers Kit No. 754 140 at a net price of \$35.00 each. Instructions for the installation of this kit on the older models are provided in the kit.

It is recommended that Kit No. 754 140 be installed on Apaches up to and including Serial 23-729 inclusive.

Very truly yours,

PIPER AIRCRAFT CORPORATION


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