

approximately 2 work hours per airplane to accomplish the proposed actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Required parts would be supplied by the manufacturer at no cost to the operators. Based on these figures, the total cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$10,440, or \$120 per airplane.

The total cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the proposed requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40101, 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Airbus Industrie: Docket 95-NM-77-AD.

Applicability: Model A320 series airplanes on which Airbus Modification 23611 (reference Airbus Service Bulletin A320-32-1115) has not been installed; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been otherwise modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must use the authority provided in paragraph (b) of this AD to request approval from the FAA. This approval may address either no action, if the current configuration eliminates the unsafe condition; or different actions necessary to address the unsafe condition described in this AD. Such a request should include an assessment of the effect of the changed configuration on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD. In no case does the presence of any modification, alteration, or repair remove any airplane from the applicability of this AD.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent an electrical overvoltage of the relays, which could result in the loss of the braking/steering control unit (BSCU) systems, and subsequent loss of the antiskid functions and nose wheel steering of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 10 months after the effective date of this AD, replace relays 24 GG and 25 GG in the forward electronics rack 90VU of zone 120 of the braking system of the landing gear with new relays, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320-32-1115, Revision 2, dated September 21, 1994.

(b) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM-113, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM-113.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Standardization Branch, ANM-113.

(c) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on October 16, 1995.

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 94-ANE-49]

Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney JFTD12A Series and T73 Series Turboshaft Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to Pratt & Whitney (PW) JFTD12A series and T73 series turboshaft engines. This proposal would require initial and repetitive fluorescent penetrant inspections (FPI) of compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals for cracks, and replacement, if necessary, with serviceable parts. This proposal is prompted by reports of extensive compressor rotor part cracking. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent disk rupture, an uncontained engine failure, and possible damage to the helicopter.

DATES: Comments must be received by December 19, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 94-ANE-49, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299. Comments may be inspected at this location between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from Pratt & Whitney, 400 Main St., East Hartford, CT 06108. This information may be examined at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Caufield, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299; telephone (617) 238-7146, fax (617) 238-7199.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 94-ANE-49." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 94-ANE-49, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299.

Discussion

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has received reports of cracked compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals installed on Pratt & Whitney (PW) Models JFTD12A-4A and -5A turboshaft engines. These cracked components were found during overhaul type inspections performed at intervals less than the current engine overhaul interval. Laboratory analysis of several parts from three of these engines has detected a similar pattern of high cycle fatigue cracking from multiple origins in compressor disk tierod and blade attachment pin holes, spacer tierod and lightening holes, and airseal tierod and lightening holes. This condition, if not corrected, could result in disk rupture, an uncontained engine

failure, and possible damage to the helicopter.

The FAA has also determined that there are engines and aircraft operating under Restricted Category that are identical to the commercial PW JFTD12A series engines and Sikorsky S-64 series helicopters, however, these retain their military designations, T73 series engines and CH-54 series helicopters. The T73 series engines are subject to the same unsafe condition as the PW JFTD12 series engines, and, therefore, are included in this AD.

The FAA has reviewed and approved the technical contents of PW Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) No. 5856, Revision 1, dated December 13, 1991, that describes procedures for initial and repetitive fluorescent penetrant inspections (FPI) of compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals for cracks, and replacement, if necessary, with serviceable parts.

Since an unsafe condition has been identified that is likely to exist or develop on other products of this same type design, the proposed AD would require initial and repetitive FPI of compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals for cracks, and replacement, if necessary, with serviceable parts. The actions would be required to be accomplished in accordance with the alert service bulletin described previously.

There are approximately 120 engines of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. The FAA estimates that 47 engines installed on aircraft of U.S. registry would be affected by this proposed AD, that it would take approximately 140 work hours per engine to accomplish the proposed actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Required parts would cost approximately \$40,670 per engine. Based on these figures, the total cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$2,306,290.

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if

promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40101, 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Pratt & Whitney: Docket No. 94-ANE-49.

Applicability: Pratt & Whitney Models JFTD12A-4A and -5A, and T73-P-1 and -P-700 turboshaft engines, installed on but not limited to Sikorsky S-64 series and CH-54 series helicopters.

Note: This AD applies to each engine identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For engines that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must use the authority provided in paragraph (d) to request approval from the FAA. This approval may address either no action, if the current configuration eliminates the unsafe condition, or different actions necessary to address the unsafe condition described in this AD. Such a request should include an assessment of the effect of the changed configuration on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD. In no case does the presence of any modification, alteration, or repair remove any engine from the applicability of this AD.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent disk rupture, an uncontained engine failure, and possible damage to the helicopter, accomplish the following:

(a) Perform a fluorescent penetrant inspection (FPI) of compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals for cracks in accordance with PW Alert Service

Bulletin (ASB) No. 5856, Revision 1, dated December 13, 1991, as follows:

(1) Prior to further flight, for engines that equal or exceed 2,200 hours time in service (TIS) since last FPI of affected parts on the effective date of this airworthiness directive (AD).

(2) At or before 2,200 hours TIS since last FPI of affected parts on the effective date of this AD, for engines that equal or exceed 1,500 hours TIS but have less than 2,200 hours TIS since last FPI of affected parts on the effective date of this AD.

(3) At or before 1,500 hours TIS since last FPI of affected parts on the effective date of this AD, for engines that have less than 1,500 hours TIS since last FPI of affected parts on the effective date of this AD.

(4) Prior to further flight, remove cracked compressor hubs, disks, spacers, and bolted on (rotating) airseals, and replace with serviceable parts.

(b) Thereafter, except for engines described in paragraph (c) of this AD, perform repetitive FPI of affected parts for cracks at intervals not to exceed 1,500 hours TIS since last FPI in accordance with PW ASB No. 5856, Revision 1, dated December 13, 1991.

(c) For all engines inspected in accordance with paragraph (a) or (b) of this AD that have zero time second and third stage compressor disks installed after the effective date of this AD, perform the next FPI of affected parts at or before 3,000 hours TIS since the last FPI performed in accordance with paragraph (a) or (b) of this AD, and thereafter perform repetitive FPI of affected parts for cracks at intervals not to exceed 1,500 hours TIS since the last FPI, in accordance with PW ASB No. 5856, Revision 1, dated December 13, 1991.

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office. The request should be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Engine Certification Office.

Note: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Engine Certification Office.

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on October 11, 1995.

Jay J. Pardee,

*Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate,
Aircraft Certification Service.*

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14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 95-AWP-29]

Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace; Bullhead City, AZ

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to amend the Class E airspace area at Bullhead City, AZ. Additional controlled airspace is required for aircraft executing instrument approach procedures at Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport, Bullhead City, AZ.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 27, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Attn: Manager, System Management Branch, AWP-530, Docket No. 95-AWP-29, Air Traffic Division, P.O. Box 92007, Worldway Postal Center, Los Angeles, California 90009.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Western Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 6007, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business at the Office of the Manager, System Management Branch, Air Traffic Division at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Speer, Airspace Specialist, System Management Branch, AWP-530, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725-6533.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal. Communications should identify the

airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this notice must submit with the comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Airspace Docket No. 95-AWP-29." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter. All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this notice may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the System Management Branch, Air Traffic Division, at 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRM

Any person may obtain a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, System Management Branch, P.O. Box 92007, Worldway Postal Center, Los Angeles, California 90009. Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A which describes the application procedures.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to provide additional controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) procedures at the Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport, AZ. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate Class E airspace for aircraft executing the Standard Instrument Approach Procedure at Laughlin/Bullhead International Airport, Bullhead, AZ. Class E airspace designations for airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9C dated August 17, 1995, and effective September 16, 1995, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in this Order.