inspections of the buttress threads in the propeller hub ports for cracks.

Costs of Compliance

Based on the service information, we estimate that this proposed AD would affect about 2 propellers installed on one airplane of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it would take about 1 work-hour per propeller to comply with this proposed AD. The average labor rate is $85 per work-hour. Required parts would cost about $20,000 per propeller. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of the proposed AD on U.S. operators to be $40,170.

Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA’s authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. “Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs,” describes in more detail the scope of the Agency’s authority.

We are issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in “Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements.” Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings

We determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect 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.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify 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. 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.

We prepared a regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD and placed it in the AD docket.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 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), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new AD:


Comments Due Date

(a) We must receive comments by June 27, 2011.

Affected Airworthiness Directives (ADs)

(b) None.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Dowty Propellers type R212/4–30–4/22 propeller assemblies with hub and driving center assembly part number (P/N) 601022105, 601022211, 601022294, 601021426, 601021858, or 601021859 installed, and type R251/4–49 propeller assemblies with hub and driving center assembly P/N 600207202 or P/N 660207203 installed.

Reason

(d) This AD results from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) issued by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. We are issuing this AD to prevent propeller hub failure due to cracks in the hub, which could result in damage to the airplane.

Actions and Compliance

(e) Unless already done, do the following:

(1) Within 500 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, and thereafter at intervals not exceeding 500 flight hours, inspect the buttress threads in the propeller hub and driving center assembly, for cracks.


(3) If a crack is found, remove the propeller assembly from service before further flight.

(4) After the effective date of this AD, do not install this propeller on any airplane unless the propeller hub and driving center has passed the inspections required by this AD.

FAA AD Differences

(f) This AD differs from the service information as follows:

(1) Although the service bulletin tells you to return the affected parts to the manufacturer, this AD does not require that action.

(2) Although the service bulletin tells you to submit information to the manufacturer, this AD does not require that action.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(g) The Manager, Boston Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Related Information


Contact Dowty Propellers, 114 Powers Court, Sterling, VA 20166, telephone (703) 421–4434; fax (703) 450–9087, for a copy of this service information.

(i) Contact Michael Schweitz, Aerospace Engineer, Boston Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803; e-mail: michael.schweitz@faa.gov; telephone (781) 238–7761; fax (781) 238–7170, for more information about this AD.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on April 28, 2011.

Peter A. White,
Acting Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39


RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company CF34–10E2A1; CF34–10E5; CF34–10E5A1; CF34–10E6; CF34–10E6A1; CF34–10E7; and CF34–10E7–B Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for the products listed above with certain part number (P/N) fan rotor spinners

installed. This proposed AD would require removing from service certain fan rotor blade retainers, and removing from service the fan rotor spinner support that was installed with those fan rotor blade retainers. This proposed AD was prompted by a fan rotor spinner support found cracked at the attachment lugs. We are proposing this AD to prevent high-cycle fatigue cracking of the fan rotor spinner support attachment lugs, leading to separation of the fan rotor spinner assembly, uncontained failure of the engine, and damage to the airplane.

DATES: We must receive comments on this proposed AD by June 27, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments by any of the following methods:

- Hand Delivery: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact GE-Aviation, M/D Rm. 285, One Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215, telephone 513–552–3272; e-mail: geae.aoc@ge.com. You may review copies of the referenced service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781–238–7125.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov; or in person at the Docket Management Facility between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this proposed AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, without change, to the Federal Register. We will post all comments we receive, without change, to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information you provide. We invite you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under the ADDRESSES section. Include “Docket No. FAA–2011–0187; Directorate Identifier 2011–NE–07–AD” at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this proposed AD. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposed AD because of those comments.

We will post all comments we receive, without change, to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact we receive about this proposed AD.

Relevant Service Information

We reviewed GE Service Bulletin (SB) No. CF34–10E–S/B 72–0186, dated January 31, 2011. The SB describes procedures for replacement of the fan rotor blade retainers with redesigned retainers that reintroduce the interference between the fan blade retainers and the spinner. This condition, if not corrected, could result in high-cycle fatigue cracking of the fan rotor spinner support attachment lugs, leading to separation of the fan rotor spinner assembly, uncontained failure of the engine, and damage to the airplane.

F.A.A’s Determination

We are proposing this AD because we evaluated all the relevant information and determined the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop in other products of the same type design.

Proposed AD Requirements

This proposed AD would require removing from service fan rotor blade retainers, P/N 2050M56P02, and removing from service the fan rotor spinner support that was installed with those fan rotor blade retainers.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this proposed AD would affect 164 engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it would take about 2 work-hours per engine to perform the actions required by this proposed AD, and that the average labor rate is $85 per work-hour. If all removed parts get replaced, required parts would cost about $10,458 per engine. Based on these figures, we estimate the total cost of the proposed AD to U.S. operators to be $1,742,992.

Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA’s authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the Agency’s authority.

We are issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: “General requirements.” Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings

We determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect 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.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify 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),
(3) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
(4) 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.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39
Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment
Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 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), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]
2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):


Comments Due Date
(a) We must receive comments by June 27, 2011.

Affected ADs
(b) None.

Applicability
(c) This AD applies to General Electric Company (GE) CF34–10E2A1; CF34–10E5; CF34–10E5A1; CF34–10E6; CF34–10E6A1; CF34–10E7; and CF34–10E7–B turbofan engines, with a fan rotor spinner part number (P/N) 2050M34G03; 2050M34G04; 2050M34G05; 2050M34G06; 2437M60G01; or 2437M60G02, installed.

Unsafe Condition
(d) This AD was prompted by a fan rotor spinner support found cracked at the attachment lugs. We are issuing this AD to prevent high-cycle fatigue cracking of the fan rotor spinner support attachment lugs, leading to separation of the fan rotor spinner assembly, uncontained failure of the engine, and damage to the airplane.

Compliance
(e) Comply with this AD within 1,800 hours-in-service after the effective date of this AD, unless already done.

Removal of Fan Rotor Blade Retainers
(f) Remove from service the 24 fan rotor blade retainers, P/N 2050M56P02.

Removal of Fan Rotor Spinner Support
(g) Remove from service the fan rotor spinner support that operated with the fan rotor blade retainers removed in paragraph (f) of this AD.

Installation Prohibition
(h) After the effective date of this AD, do not install any fan rotor blade retainer, P/N 2050M56P02, into any engine. Do not attempt to repair, make serviceable, or re-install, this part.

(i) After the effective date of this AD, do not install any fan rotor spinner support removed in paragraph (g) of this AD, into any engine. Do not attempt to repair, make serviceable, or re-install, this part.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)
(j) The Manager, Engine Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Related Information
(k) For more information about this AD, contact John Frost, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781–238–7756; fax: 781–238–7199; e-mail: john.frost@faa.gov.

(l) Refer to GE Service Bulletin No. CF34–10E–S/B 72–0186, dated January 31, 2011, for related information. Contact GE-Aviation, M/D Rm. 285, One Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215, telephone 513–552–3272; e-mail: geae.aoc@ge.com, for a copy of this service information. You may review copies of the referenced service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781–238–7125.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on April 28, 2011.

Peter A. White, Acting Manager, Engine & Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard
33 CFR Part 100
[Docket No. USCG–2011–0211]
RIN 1625–AA08
Special Local Regulation; Partnership in Education, Dragon Boat Race; Maumee River, Toledo, OH
AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.
ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes establishing a permanent Special Local Regulation on the Maumee River, Toledo, Ohio. This regulation is intended to restrict vessels from portions of the Maumee River during the Dragon Boat Races which take place during the third or fourth weekend in July each year. This special local regulated area is necessary to protect race participants from other vessel traffic.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before June 10, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2011–0211 using any one of the following methods:
(2) Fax: 202–493–2251.
(4) Hand delivery: Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below for instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this proposed rule, call or e-mail BM1 Tracy Girard, Response Department, MSU Toledo, Coast Guard; telephone (419) 418–6036, e-mail Tracy.M.Girard@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related materials. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided.

Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG–2011–0211), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online (via http://www.regulations.gov) or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. If you submit a comment online via http://www.regulations.gov, it will be considered received by the Coast Guard when the comment is successfully