

(2) Before using any AMOC approved in accordance with 14 CFR 39.19 on any airplane to which the AMOC applies, notify the appropriate principal inspector in the FAA Flight Standards Certificate Holding District Office.

#### Related Information

(k) British airworthiness directive G-2004-0001, dated January 22, 2004, also addresses the subject of this AD.

#### Material Incorporated by Reference

(l) You must use BAE Systems (Operations) Limited Service Bulletin ATP-54-20, dated July 29, 2003, to perform the actions that are required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of this document in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Contact British Aerospace Regional Aircraft American Support, 13850 Mclearen Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171, for a copy of this service information. You may review copies at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., room PL-401, Nassif Building, Washington, DC; on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>; or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at the NARA, call (202) 741-6030, or go to [http://www.archives.gov/federal\\_register/code\\_of\\_federal\\_regulations/ibr\\_locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2001-NE-12-AD; Amendment 39-14319; AD 2005-20-23]

**RIN 2120-AA64**

#### **Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc RB211 Trent 875, 877, 884, 884B, 892, 892B, and 895 Series Turbofan Engines**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is superseding an existing airworthiness directive (AD) for Rolls-Royce plc (RR) RB211 Trent 875, 877, 884, 892, 892B, and 895 series turbofan engines. That AD currently requires repetitive application of dry film lubricant (DFL) to low pressure compressor (LPC) fan blade roots. This AD requires the same actions but at

more frequent intervals than the existing AD. This AD also adds the Trent 884B engine to the list of engine models affected, adds a fan blade part number (P/N) to the affected list of fan blades, and relaxes the initial DFL repetitive application compliance time for certain fan blades that have never been removed from the disk. This AD results from discovering DFL in worse condition than anticipated on fan blades fitted to disks previously run for a significant period. This AD also results from the need to update the list of engine models affected, and to update the list of fan blade part numbers affected. We are issuing this AD to prevent LPC fan blade loss, which could result in an uncontained engine failure and possible aircraft damage.

**DATES:** This AD becomes effective November 8, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** You may examine the AD docket at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA. You may examine the service information at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher Spinney, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299; telephone: (781) 238-7175, fax: (781) 238-7199.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR Part 39 with a proposed airworthiness directive (AD). The proposed AD applies to RR RB211 Trent 875, 877, 884, 892, 892B, and 895 series turbofan engines with LPC fan blade P/Ns: FK 30838, FK30840, FK30842, FW12960, FW12961, FW12962, FW13175, FW18548, or FW23552. We published the proposed AD in the **Federal Register** on February 18, 2005 (70 FR 8303). That action proposed to require repetitive application of DFL to LPC fan blade roots at more frequent intervals than the existing AD. That action also proposed to add the Trent 884B engine to the applicability, to add a fan blade P/N to the affected list of fan blades, and to relax the initial DFL repetitive application compliance time for certain fan blades that have never been removed from the disk.

#### **Examining the AD Docket**

You may examine the AD Docket (including any comments and service information), by appointment, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through

Friday, except Federal holidays. See **ADDRESSES** for the location.

#### **Comments**

We provided the public the opportunity to participate in the development of this AD. We received one comment on the proposal and it was favorable.

#### **Conclusion**

We have carefully reviewed the available data and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting the AD as proposed.

#### **Costs of Compliance**

There are approximately 388 RR RB211 Trent 875, 877, 884, 884B, 892, 892B, and 895 series turbofan engines of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. We estimate that 106 engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD. We also estimate that it will take approximately six work hours per engine to perform the DFL application, and that the average labor rate is \$65 per work hour. Based on these figures, we estimate the total cost of the AD to U.S. operators to perform one repetitive application of DFL to the affected engines to be \$41,340.

#### **Special Flight Permits Paragraph Removed**

Paragraph (d) of the current AD, AD 2002-10-15, contains a paragraph pertaining to special flight permits. Even though this final rule does not contain a similar paragraph, we have made no changes with regard to the use of special flight permits to operate the airplane to a repair facility to do the work required by this AD. In July 2002, we published a new Part 39 that contains a general authority regarding special flight permits and airworthiness directives; see Docket No. FAA-2004-8460, Amendment 39-9474 (69 FR 47998, July 22, 2002). Thus, when we now supersede ADs we will not include a specific paragraph on special flight permits unless we want to limit the use of that general authority granted in section 39.23.

#### **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 have determined that this AD will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This AD will 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 that this AD:

- (1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866;
- (2) Is not a “significant rule” under 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 summary of the costs to comply with this AD and placed it in the AD Docket. You may get a copy of this summary by sending a request to us at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include “AD Docket No. 2001-NE-12-AD” in your request.

### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

### Adoption of the Amendment

■ Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 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 removing Amendment 39-12761 (67 FR 36803, May 28, 2002) and by adding a new airworthiness directive, Amendment 39-14319, to read as follows:

**2005-20-23 Rolls-Royce plc:** Amendment 39-14319. Docket No. 2001-NE-12-AD.

### Effective Date

(a) This AD becomes effective November 8, 2005.

### Affected ADs

(b) This AD supersedes AD 2002-10-15.

### Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Rolls-Royce plc (RR) RB211 Trent 875, 877, 884, 884B, 892, 892B, and 895 series turbofan engines with low pressure compressor (LPC) fan blade part numbers (P/Ns): FK 30838, FK30840, FK30842, FW12960, FW12961, FW12962, FW13175, FW18548, or FW23552. These engines are installed on, but not limited to, Boeing 777 series airplanes.

### Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD results from the discovery of dry film lubricant (DFL) condition appearing worse than anticipated on fan blades fitted to disks previously run for a significant period. This AD also results from the need to update the list of engine models affected, and to update the list of fan blade part numbers affected. The actions specified in this AD are intended to prevent LPC fan blade loss, which could result in an uncontained engine failure and possible aircraft damage.

### Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified unless the actions have already been done.

(f) Apply an approved DFL to LPC fan blade roots as follows:

(1) For LPC fan blades P/Ns FW13175, FW12960, FW12961, FW12962, FW18548, and FW23552 that have never been removed from the disk, apply DFL at the first removal from the disk or before 1,200 cycles-in-service (CIS), whichever occurs first.

(2) For LPC fan blades P/Ns FW13175, FW12960, FW12961, FW12962, FW18548, and FW23552 that have been removed from the disk since entering service, apply DFL before accumulating 600 cycles-since-new (CSN) or before accumulating 600 cycles-since-last DFL application, or within 200 CIS from the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later.

(3) For LPC fan blades P/Ns FK30842, FK30840, and FK300838, apply DFL before accumulating 600 CSN or before accumulating 600 cycles-since-last DFL application, or within 100 CIS after July 2, 2002 (effective date of superseded AD 2002-10-15), whichever occurs first.

(4) Thereafter, reapply DFL to LPC fan blade roots within 600 cycles-since-last DFL application.

(5) Information on applying DFL to fan blade roots can be found in RR Alert Service Bulletin No. RB.211-72-AD347, Revision 6, dated April 22, 2004, or Revision 7, dated August 2, 2005.

### Alternative Methods of Compliance

(g) The Manager, Engine Certification Office, has the authority to approve alternative methods of compliance for this AD if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

### Related Information

(h) Civil Aviation Authority Airworthiness Directive G-2004-0008, dated April 29, 2004, also addresses the subject of this AD.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on September 27, 2005.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2005-20917; Directorate Identifier 2004-NM-85-AD; Amendment 39-14312; AD 2005-20-18]

**RIN 2120-AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-100, -200B, -200F, -200C, -100B, -300, -100B SUD, -400, -400D, and -400F Series Airplanes; and Model 747SR Series Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is superseding two existing airworthiness directives (AD), which apply to certain Boeing transport category airplanes. One AD currently requires doing certain inspections to detect cracks and corrosion around the lower bearing of the actuator attach fittings of the inboard and outboard flaps; repairing if necessary; and either overhauling the fittings or replacing them, which ends certain repetitive inspections. The other AD currently requires certain other inspections to detect discrepancies of the actuator attach fittings of the flaps, and follow-on and corrective actions if necessary, which ends the repetitive inspections of the first AD. For certain airplanes, this AD requires new inspections for discrepancies of the actuator attach fittings of the flaps, and follow-on and corrective actions if necessary, which ends the repetitive inspections of both existing ADs. For all airplanes, this AD requires repetitive overhaul/replacements of the actuator attach fittings of both the inboard and outboard flaps. This AD results from reports of cracks of the actuator attach fittings of the trailing edge flaps. We are issuing this AD to prevent cracking and other damage of the actuator attach fittings of the trailing edge flaps, which could result in abnormal operation or