

§ 39.13 [Amended]

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

2014-13-04 Columbia Helicopters, Inc. (Type Certificate Previously Held By Boeing Defense & Space Group) Helicopters: Amendment 39-17879; Docket No. FAA-2014-0385; Directorate Identifier 2013-SW-079-AD.

(a) Applicability

This AD applies to Model 234 helicopters, certificated in any category.

(b) Unsafe Condition

This AD defines the unsafe condition as fatigue failure of aft pylon fitting attach structure combined with aft rotor blade damage. This condition could result in failure of a fore or aft rotor blade, vibration, overload of the aft pylon structure at the pylon attach fittings, departure of the aft pylon, and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

(c) Effective Date

This AD becomes effective July 15, 2014.

(d) Compliance

You are responsible for performing each action required by this AD within the specified compliance time unless it has already been accomplished prior to that time.

(e) Required Actions

(1) Within 50 hours time-in-service (TIS):

(i) Clean and inspect each fore and aft rotor blade for a defect, damage, or a disbond in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, paragraph 3.A.(1)(b) through 3.A.(2)(b), of Columbia Helicopters, Inc., Service Bulletin No. 234-62-0008, Revision 1, dated December 6, 2013 (SB 234-62-0008).

(ii) Using a metallic coin or tap hammer, tap inspect each rotor blade trailing edge for defect, damage, or a disbond in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, paragraph 3.B.(1) through 3.B.(2)(e) and Figures 1 and 2 of SB 234-62-0008.

(iii) If there is any defect, damage, or a disbond, repair the blade before further flight. If the defect, damage, or disbond is beyond acceptable limits, replace the blade before further flight.

(2) Within 50 hours TIS and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 100 hours TIS, inspect the aft pylon at the station 534 and 594 tension attachment fittings as follows:

(i) Dye-penetrant inspect the aft pylon at the attachment fitting for a crack as shown in Figures 1, 2, and 3 and by following the Detailed Special Inspection-Dye Penetrant Method, paragraph 2.A.(2) through 2.G.(1), of Columbia Helicopters, Inc. Service Bulletin No. 234-54-0004, Revision 0, dated November 22, 2013 (SB 234-54-0004).

(ii) If there is a crack, before further flight, repair or replace the aft pylon. Figures 2, 3, 4, and 5 of SB 234-54-0004 contain examples of a crack.

(3) Do not install an aft pylon or a rotor blade until the requirements of paragraphs (e)(1) and (e)(2) of this AD are accomplished.

(f) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, may approve AMOCs for this AD. Send your proposal to: *9-ANM-Seattle-ACO-AMOC-Requests@faa.gov*.

(2) For operations conducted under a 14 CFR part 119 operating certificate or under 14 CFR part 91, subpart K, we suggest that you notify your principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office or certificate holding district office before operating any aircraft complying with this AD through an AMOC.

(g) Subject

Joint Aircraft Service Component (JASC) Code: 5400 and 6210 Nacelle/Pylon Structure and Main Rotor Blades.

(h) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of the service information listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(i) Columbia Helicopters, Inc., Service Bulletin No. 234-54-0004, Revision 0, dated November 22, 2013.

(ii) Columbia Helicopters, Inc., Service Bulletin No. 234-62-0008, Revision 1, dated December 6, 2013.

(3) For service information identified in this AD, contact Columbia Helicopters, Inc., 14452 Arndt Road NE., Aurora, OR 97002, telephone (503) 678-1222, fax (503) 678-5841, or at <http://www.colheli.com/>.

(4) You may view this service information at FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222-5110.

(5) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call (202) 741-6030, or go to: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on June 16, 2014.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. FAA-2013-0862; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-098-AD; Amendment 39-17863; AD 2014-12-02]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Aviation Airplanes

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Dassault Aviation Model FALCON 2000 and FALCON 2000EX airplanes. This AD was prompted by a determination that new center of gravity (CG) limits are applicable during takeoff with certain conditions. This AD requires revising the airplane flight manual (AFM) to include procedures to advise the flightcrew of the new CG limits. We are issuing this AD to prevent an erratic takeoff path and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane.

DATES: This AD becomes effective August 4, 2014.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this AD as of August 4, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=FAA-2013-0862>; or in person at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC.

For Dassault service information identified in this AD, contact Dassault Falcon Jet, P.O. Box 2000, South Hackensack, NJ 07606; telephone 201-440-6700; Internet <http://www.dassaultfalcon.com>. For Aviation Partners, Inc. service information identified in this AD, contact Aviation Partners, Inc., 7299 Perimeter Road South, Seattle, WA 98108; telephone 800-946-4638; Internet <http://www.aviationpartners.com>. You may view this referenced service information at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 425-227-1221.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Rodriguez, Aerospace Engineer,

International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356; telephone 425-227-1137; fax 425-227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would apply to certain Dassault Aviation Model FALCON 2000 and FALCON 2000EX airplanes. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on October 3, 2013 (78 FR 61220). The NPRM was prompted by a determination that new center of gravity (CG) limits applicable during takeoff with a Slat/Flap SF2 setting are necessary. The NPRM proposed to require revising the airplane flight manual (AFM) to include procedures to advise the flightcrew of the new CG limits. We are issuing this AD to prevent an erratic takeoff path and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane.

The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), which is the Technical Agent for the Member States of the European Community, has issued EASA Airworthiness Directive 2012-0081, dated May 14, 2012 (referred to after this as the Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information, or “the MCAI”), to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states:

During a test flight on a Falcon 2000EX equipped with winglets (commercial designation Falcon 2000LX), performed for the certification of a maximum takeoff weight increase, the aeroplane took off and experienced unsatisfactory control characteristics under specific combined conditions of loading, slat-flap setting and horizontal tailplane trim setting. The weight and the Center of Gravity (CG) of the aeroplane during that test flight were within the already certified limits.

This condition, if not corrected, could result in an erratic take-off path and reduced control of the aeroplane, which could ultimately jeopardize the aeroplane safe flight.

To address this condition, Dassault Aviation developed Change Proposal (CP) 036 to the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM), which introduced new CG limits which are applicable during take-off with Slat/Flap SF2 setting.

Since issuance of EASA PAD [proposed airworthiness directive] 11-077, Dassault Aviation issued a normal AFM revision currently at revision 15, which incorporates Dassault Aviation CP 036.

For the reasons described above, this [EASA] AD requires amendment of the applicable AFM to ensure that the flight crew applies the appropriate operational procedure.

You may examine the MCAI in the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov/#/documentDetail;D=FAA-2013-0862-0002>.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. The following presents the comments received on the proposal (78 FR 61220, October 3, 2013) and the FAA's response to each comment.

Request To Exclude Certain Airplanes

Dassault stated that the NPRM (78 FR 61220, October 3, 2013) excludes Model FALCON F2000EX airplanes on which Dassault Service Bulletin F2000EX-300, Revision 1, dated May 17, 2013, has been embodied. Dassault added that this service information requires installation of a new Arthur unit that is compatible with EASy II avionics, for airplanes on which winglets have been installed using Dassault Modification M2846 or Dassault Aviation Technical Instructions TI-F2000EX-M2846-ME. Dassault does not know whether airplanes which have been fitted with winglets per Aviation Partners Incorporated Supplemental Type Certificates (STCs) can be excluded from the applicability.

We agree to clarify. We have determined that, for Model FALCON F2000EX airplanes modified by Aviation Partners Incorporated STC ST01987SE http://rgl.faa.gov/Regulatory_and_Guidance_Library/rgstc.nsf/0/1804CCC8BA5562958625770C007757C6?OpenDocument&Highlight=st01987se, the actions specified in Dassault Service Bulletin F2000EX-300, Revision 1, dated May 17, 2013, can be accomplished. Therefore, if the actions specified in Dassault Service Bulletin F2000EX-300, Revision 1, dated May 17, 2013, have been accomplished on any Model FALCON F2000EX airplane, that airplane is excluded from the applicability of this AD. We have not changed this AD in this regard.

Request To Correct Typographical Error

Dassault noted that there is a typographical error in paragraph (c)(1) of the NPRM (78 FR 61220, October 3, 2013). Dassault stated that Dassault Aviation Modification M2848 should be changed to M2846 because number M2848 is incorrect.

We agree with the commenter's request. The correct modification number is identified in the applicability section of the MCAI; therefore, the modification number in paragraph (c)(1) of this final rule has been changed from M2848 to M2846.

Additional Change Made to This Final Rule

We have revised the formatting of paragraph (g) of this final rule for easier readability. This change does not affect the content of that paragraph.

Conclusion

We reviewed the relevant data, considered the comments received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting this AD with the changes described previously and minor editorial changes. We have determined that these minor changes:

- Are consistent with the intent that was proposed in the NPRM (78 FR 61220, October 3, 2013) for correcting the unsafe condition; and
- Do not add any additional burden upon the public than was already proposed in the NPRM (78 FR 61220, October 3, 2013).

We also determined that these changes will not increase the economic burden on any operator or increase the scope of this AD.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this AD affects 69 airplanes of U.S. registry.

We also estimate that it will take about 1 work-hour per product to comply with the basic requirements of this AD. The average labor rate is \$85 per work-hour. Required parts will cost about \$0 per product. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of the AD on U.S. operators to be \$5,865, or \$85 per product.

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 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 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.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov/#/docketDetail;D=FAA-2013-0862>; 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 AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Operations office (telephone 800-647-5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

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

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA 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 adding the following new AD:

2014-12-02 Dassault Aviation:

Amendment 39-17863. Docket No. FAA-2013-0862; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-098-AD.

(a) Effective Date

This airworthiness directive (AD) becomes effective August 4, 2014.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to Dassault Aviation airplanes, certificated in any category, identified in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this AD; except Model FALCON F2000EX airplanes on which Dassault Aviation Modification M3254 or Dassault Service Bulletin F2000EX-300, Revision 1, dated May 17, 2013, has been embodied.

(1) Model FALCON 2000EX airplanes on which Dassault Aviation modification M2846 or Dassault Aviation Technical Instruction TI-F2000EX-M2846-ME or TI-F2000EX-M3118/M2846-ME has been embodied for the installation of winglets, including the airplane having serial number 602.

(2) Model FALCON 2000 and FALCON 2000EX airplanes modified by Aviation Partners Incorporated Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) ST01987SE http://rgl.faa.gov/Regulatory_and_Guidance_Library/rstc.nsf/0/1804CCC8BA5562958625770C007757C6?OpenDocument&Highlight=st01987se (installation of winglets).

(d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 27, Flight Controls.

(e) Reason

This AD was prompted by a determination that new center of gravity (CG) limits applicable during takeoff with a Slat/Flap SF2 setting are necessary. We are issuing this AD to prevent an erratic takeoff path and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane.

(f) Compliance

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

(g) Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) Revision

Within 14 days after the effective date of this AD: Revise the AFM by incorporating the CG limits identified in the service information specified in paragraph (g)(1), (g)(2), or (g)(3) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) For airplanes identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this AD: Sub-sub-section 1-050-05C, “Weights; Center of gravity limits (A/C with M2846 and M3390),” Issue 2; and Sub-sub-section 1-050-05D, “Weights; Center of gravity limits (A/C with M2846 and M3000),” Issue 1; of Sub-section 1-050, “Weights and Loading,” of Section 1, “Limitations,” Issue 5, of the Dassault Aviation FALCON 2000EX EASy, FALCON 2000DX, and FALCON 2000LX AFM DGT88898, Revision 15, dated October 30, 2011.

(2) For Model FALCON 2000 airplanes identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD: Aviation Partners, Inc. Dassault Aviation Falcon 2000 with CFE 738 Engines—Blended Winglets Installation, AFM Supplement APF2-0601, Code 002, Revision 3, dated June 1, 2012.

(3) For Model FALCON 2000EX airplanes identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD: Aviation Partners, Inc. Dassault Aviation Falcon 2000EX Series—Blended Winglets Installation, AFM Supplement APF2-0601, Code 001, Revision 4, dated June 1, 2012.

(h) Other FAA AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)*: The Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the International Branch, send it to ATTN: Tom Rodriguez, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356; telephone 425-227-1137; fax 425-227-1149. Information may be emailed to: 9-ANM-116-AMOC-REQUESTS@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/certificate holding district office. The AMOC approval letter must specifically reference this AD.

(2) *Airworthy Product*: For any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer or other source, use these actions if they are FAA-approved. Corrective actions are considered FAA-approved if they are approved by the State of Design Authority (or their delegated agent). You are required to assure the product is airworthy before it is returned to service.

(i) Related Information

Refer to Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information (MCAI) EASA Airworthiness Directive 2012-0081, dated May 14, 2012, for related information. This MCAI may be found in the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov/#/documentDetail;D=FAA-2013-0862-0002>.

(j) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the service information listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.

(i) Dassault Aviation FALCON 2000EX EASy, FALCON 2000DX, and FALCON 2000LX Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) DGT88898, Revision 15, dated October 30, 2011. This document does not contain dates for the “Issue” levels of the individual sub-sections. The revision level and date of this document are identified on only the title page of the document.

(ii) Aviation Partners, Inc. Dassault Aviation Falcon 2000 with CFE 738 Engines—Blended Winglets Installation, AFM Supplement APF2-0601, Code 002, Revision 3, dated June 1, 2012. The revision level of this document is identified on only the title page, Revision Highlights, and Log of Pages of this document.

(iii) Aviation Partners, Inc. Dassault Aviation Falcon 2000EX Series—Blended Winglets Installation, AFM Supplement APF2-0601, Code 001, Revision 4, dated June

1, 2012. The revision level of this document is identified on only the title page, Revision Highlights, and Log of Pages of this document.

(3) For Dassault service information identified in this AD, contact Dassault Falcon Jet, P.O. Box 2000, South Hackensack, NJ 07606; telephone 201-440-6700; Internet <http://www.dassaultfalcon.com>.

(4) For Aviation Partners, Inc. service information identified in this AD, contact Aviation Partners, Inc., 7299 Perimeter Road South, Seattle, WA 98108; telephone 800-946-4638; Internet <http://www.aviationpartners.com>.

(5) You may view this service information at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 425-227-1221.

(6) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on May 28, 2014.

Jeffrey E. Duven,

*Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate,
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2006-23809; Directorate Identifier 2005-NE-52-AD; Amendment 39-17866; AD 2014-12-05]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are superseding airworthiness directive (AD) 2007-10-07 for all Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 2B, 2B1, and 2B1A turboshaft engines. AD 2007-10-07 required an inspection of the splines of the coupling assembly and the hydro-mechanical metering unit (HMU) drive gear shaft for wear. This AD requires the same inspection and expands the affected population. This AD also removes Arriel 2B1A engines from the applicability. We are issuing this AD to prevent failure of the HMU drive gear shaft, which could lead to damage to the engine and damage to the airplane.

DATES: This AD is effective August 4, 2014.

The Director of the **Federal Register** approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this AD as of August 4, 2014.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this AD, contact Turbomeca, S.A., 40220 Tarnos, France; phone: 33 (0)5 59 74 40 00; telex: 570 042; fax: 33 (0)5 59 74 45 15. You may view this 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> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2006-23809; 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 AD, the mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI), the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The address for the Docket Office (phone: 800-647-5527) is Document Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to supersede AD 2007-10-07, Amendment 39-15048 (72 FR 26711, May 11, 2007), (“AD 2007-10-07”). AD 2007-10-07 applied to the specified products. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on February 21, 2014 (79 FR 9868). The NPRM proposed to require the same inspection as AD 2007-10-07 and expand the affected population. The NPRM also proposed to remove Arriel 2B1A engines from the applicability.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. We received no comments on the NPRM (79 FR 9868, February 21, 2014).

Conclusion

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

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this AD affects 470 engines installed on aircraft of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it will take about 2 hours per engine to comply with this AD. The average labor rate is \$85 per hour. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of this AD on U.S. operators to be \$79,900.

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

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),

(3) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska to the extent that it justifies making a regulatory distinction, 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.