- (1) Equipped with oil pipe/hose assemblies part number (P/N) 577.11.12.104, 577.11.12.105, 946.37.74.305, 946.37.74.306, 946.37.74.307, 946.37.74.308, or 946.37.74.311; and
 - (2) certificated in any category.

Subject

(d) Air Transport Association of America (ATA) Code 71: Power Plant-General.

Reason

(e) The mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) states:

This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is prompted by occurrences where abrasive damage (chafing) has been found on oil pipe assemblies in the area of the torque oil pressure transducer on the engines of some PC–12 aircraft. Incorrect assembly after mintenance tasks can decrease distances between various pipe/hoses assemblies and adjacent components. Damaged pipes can cause oil leakages in the area of the engine.

For the reasons stated above, this AD requires an inspection for damage, replacement when damage is found, and eventual replacement of all the affected pipe/hose assemblies.

Actions and Compliance

- (f) Unless already done, do the following actions:
- (1)Within the next 10 hours time-in-service after November 5, 2007 (the effective date of this AD), do a configuration check and inspection of the pipe/hose assemblies for abrasive damage (chafing) and distortion following paragraph 3.B of Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Pilatus PC12 Service Bulletin No: 71–007, dated August 21, 2007.
- (2) If during the configuration check and inspection required by paragraph (f)(1) of this AD any abrasive damage (chafing) on oil pipe/hose assemblies is found, before further flight, replace the hose/pipe assemblies following paragraphs 3.B, 3.C, and 3.E of Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Pilatus PC12 Service Bulletin No: 71–007, dated August 21, 2007.
- (3) If during the configuration check and inspection required by paragraph (f)(1) of this AD no damage on oil pipe/hose assemblies is found, within 6 calendar months after November 5, 2007 (the effective date of this AD), replace the hose/pipe assemblies following paragraph 3.B, 3.C, and 3.E of Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Pilatus PC12 Service Bulletin No: 71–007, dated August 21, 2007.
- (4) After November 5, 2007, do not install any oil pipe/hose assembly with P/N 577.11.12.104, 577.11.12.105, 946.37.74.305, 946.37.74.306, 946.37.74.307, 946.37.74.308, or 946.37.74.311 on any Models PC-12, PC-12/45, or PC-12/47 airplanes.
- (5) After November 5, 2007, do not install a spare engine on any Models PC-12, PC-12/45, or PC-12/47 airplanes, unless it has been verified that no oil pipe/hose assembly with P/N 577.11.12.104, 577.11.12.105, 946.37.74.305, 946.37.74.306, 946.37.74.307, 946.37.74.308, or 946.37.74.311 are installed on that engine.

FAA AD Differences

Note: This AD differs from the MCAI and/ or service information as follows: The MCAI allows for the temporary replacement (up to 6 months) of the hose/pipe assemblies with the same type that incorporate the potential unsafe condition (P/N 577.11.12.104, 577.11.12.105, 946.37.74.305, 946.37.74.306, 946.37.74.311). Due to the urgency of this unsafe condition, the FAA is mandating replacement with the improved parts immediately if damage is found.

Other FAA AD Provisions

- (g) The following provisions also apply to this AD:
- (1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, Standards Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. Send information to ATTN: Doug Rudolph, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329–4059; fax: (816) 329–4090. Before using any approved AMOC on any airplane to which the AMOC applies, notify your appropriate principal inspector (PI) in the FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), or lacking a PI, your local FSDO.
- (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.
- (3) Reporting Requirements: For any reporting requirement in this AD, under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection requirements and has assigned OMB Control Number 2120–0056.

Related Information

(h) Refer to MCAI European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD No: 2007–0235, dated August 31, 2007, corrected September 14, 2007; and Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Pilatus PC12 Service Bulletin No: 71–007, dated August 21, 2007, for related information.

Material Incorporated by Reference

- (i) You must use Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Pilatus PC12 Service Bulletin No: 71–007, dated August 21, 2007, to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.
- (1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of this service information under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.
- (2) For service information identified in this AD, contact Pilatus Aircraft Ltd., Customer Support Manager, CH–6371 STANS, Switzerland; telephone: + 41 41 619 6208; fax: + 41 41 619 7311; e-mail: SupportPC12@pilatus-aircaft.com; or Pilatus Business Aircraft Ltd., Product Support Department, 11755 Airport Way, Broomfield, Colorado 80021; telephone: (303) 465–9099, fax: (303) 465–6040; E-mail: Productsupport@PilBal.com.

(3) You may review copies at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; or 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 Kansas City, Missouri on October 5, 2007.

David R. Showers,

Acting Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2007-27925; Directorate Identifier 2006-NM-183-AD; Amendment 39-15232; AD 2007-21-14]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 Series Airplanes

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The FAA is adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all Airbus Model A310 series airplanes. This AD requires revising the Airworthiness Limitations Section of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness to incorporate new limitations for fuel tank systems. This AD results from fuel system reviews conducted by the manufacturer. We are issuing this AD to prevent the potential of ignition sources inside fuel tanks, which, in combination with flammable fuel vapors caused by latent failures, alterations, repairs, or maintenance actions, could result in fuel tank explosions and consequent loss of the airplane.

DATES: This AD becomes effective November 20, 2007.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the AD as of November 20, 2007.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this AD, contact Airbus, 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France.

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 AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The address for the Docket Office (telephone 800–647–5527) is the 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: Tom Stafford, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057-3356; telephone (425) 227-1622; fax (425) 227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

The FAA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to include an AD that would apply to all Airbus Model A310 series airplanes. That NPRM was published in the **Federal Register** on April 20, 2007 (72 FR 19826). That NPRM proposed to require revising the Airworthiness Limitations Section of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness to incorporate new limitations for fuel tank systems.

Actions since NPRM Was Issued

After we issued the NPRM, Airbus published the A310 Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, Document 95A.1930/05, Issue 2, dated May 11, 2007 (approved by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) on July 6, 2007) (hereafter referred to as "Document 95A.1930/05"). In the NPRM, we referred to Issue 1 of Document 95A.1930/05, dated December 19, 2005, as the appropriate source of service information for accomplishing the actions proposed in the NPRM. The fuel airworthiness limitations specified in Issue 2 of Document 95A.1930/05 are the same as those in Issue 1 of Document 95A.1930/ 05. Airbus has revised certain task titles in Section 1 of Issue 2 of Document 95A.1930/05 and has clarified the applicability and corrected certain airplane maintenance manual (AMM) references in Section 2 of the document. Therefore, we have revised this AD by referring to Issue 2 of Document 95A.1930/05 as the appropriate source of service information.

After we issued the NPRM, EASA issued airworthiness directive 2007–0096 R1, dated May 2, 2007, to correct certain compliance times; our NPRM included the correct compliance times,

which we explained as differences between the NPRM and EASA airworthiness directive 2006–0202, dated July 11, 2006. The compliance times in this AD already correspond with the compliance times of EASA airworthiness directive 2007–0096 R1. Therefore, we have revised paragraph (k) of this AD to refer to EASA airworthiness directive 2007–0096 R1.

After we issued the NPRM, Airbus published Operator Information Telex (OIT) SE 999.0079/07, Revision 01, dated August 14, 2007, to identify the applicable sections of the Airbus A310 AMM necessary for accomplishing the tasks specified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05. We have added a note to paragraph (f) of this AD to refer to that OIT.

Comments

We provided the public the opportunity to participate in the development of this AD. We have considered the comments received.

Request To Revise "Relevant Service Information" Section

Airbus requests that we revise the "Relevant Service Information" section to state that "Section 1, 'Maintenance/ Inspection Tasks,' of Document 95A.1930/05 describes certain FAL inspections, which are periodic inspections of certain features for latent failures that could contribute to a fire." In the NPRM, we specified that the latent failures could contribute to an ignition source. As justification, Airbus states that not all three tasks identified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05 contribute to minimizing the risk of an ignition source: Only Task 3 minimizes the risk of an ignition source, while Tasks 1 and 2 minimize the occurrence of a combustible environment. We agree with Airbus's statements. However, we have not revised this AD in this regard since the "Relevant Service Information" section is not retained in a final rule.

Request To Revise the Unsafe Condition

Airbus states that it does not agree that there is an unsafe condition on Model A310 series airplanes, prior to accomplishing the maintenance/inspection tasks in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05. Airbus agrees that performing these tasks contributes to minimizing the risk of either an ignition source (Task 3) or the occurrence of a combustible environment (Tasks 1 and 2). In regard to the critical design configuration control limitations (CDCCLs), Airbus states that no unsafe condition exists at delivery, and that no unsafe condition

will develop provided that operators observe the CDCCLs after delivery. Airbus further states that the CDCCLs are introduced to reduce the risk that an operator may inadvertently alter the design or installation, thus introducing a less safe configuration.

We infer Airbus would like us to revise the unsafe condition in this AD to incorporate its comments. We do not agree to revise the unsafe condition of this AD. Fuel airworthiness limitations (FALs) are items arising from a systems safety analysis that have been shown to have failure modes associated with an unsafe condition, as defined in FAA Memorandum 2003-112-15, "SFAR 88-Mandatory Action Decision Criteria," dated February 25, 2003. These FALs are identified in failure conditions for which an unacceptable probability of ignition risk could exist if specific tasks or practices or both are not performed in accordance with a manufacturer's requirements. As Airbus notes, if an operator does not observe the CDCCLs after delivery, then an unsafe condition could occur. For this reason we must mandate Document 95A.1930/05 to ensure the CDCCLs are observed. We have not changed this AD in this regard.

Request To Clarify the Requirements of Paragraph (h)

Airbus requests that we revise paragraph (h) of the NPRM to state that operators are required to update their internal procedures and documentation to ensure appropriate management and control of the CDCCLs specified in Section 2 of Document 95A.1930/05. Airbus states that paragraph (h) of the NPRM is unclear about what an operator is expected to do with the CDCCLs. Airbus further states that paragraph (h) of the NPRM tells operators to add the CDCCLs to the ALS, but Airbus states that it has already done so. Airbus also states that the ALS is part of the type certification (TC) documentation and is not changed by operators.

Although we understand Airbus' concern and welcome any feedback that would improve the readability or usability of an AD, the suggested language is too vague to be legally enforceable, so we cannot use it in this AD. We understand that Airbus has revised its airworthiness limitations document. However, according to 14 CFR 39.7, no person may operate a product unless the requirements of an applicable AD have been met. The burden is placed on the operator, not on the manufacturer, to ensure that the requirements of an AD are met. The requirement, as stated in the NPRM, is for the operator to revise its copy of the

airworthiness limitations document. This ensures that each affected operator maintains a current copy of the required airworthiness limitations.

Concerning Airbus' statement that paragraph (h) of the NPRM does not clearly specify what an operator is expected to with the CDCCLs, we would like to clarify that paragraph (h) requires that affected operators revise their copies of the airworthiness limitations document to include the CDCCL requirements. This is the only requirement imposed under this AD for CDCCLs; once this revision has been accomplished, compliance with paragraph (h) of this AD has been completed. Subsequently, 14 CFR 91.403(c) requires an affected operator to comply with the revised Airworthiness Limitations document. Ensuring that one's maintenance program and the actions of its maintenance personnel are in accordance with the Airworthiness Limitations is required, but not by the AD. According to 14 CFR 91.403(c), no person may operate an aircraft for which airworthiness limitations have been issued unless those limitations have been complied with. Therefore, there is no need to further expand the requirements of the AD beyond that which was proposed because section 91.403(c) already imposes the appropriate required action after the airworthiness limitations are revised. We have not changed this AD in this regard.

Change to Paragraph (f)

We have also clarified the compliance time in paragraph (f) of this AD by adding the word "thereafter" to more clearly state that * * * the repetitive inspections must be accomplished thereafter * * *"

Conclusion

We have carefully reviewed the available data, including the comments received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting the AD with the changes described previously. We have determined that these changes will neither increase the economic burden on any operator nor increase the scope of the AD.

Costs of Compliance

This AD affects about 69 airplanes of U.S. registry. The required actions take about 2 work hours per airplane, at an average labor rate of \$80 per work hour. Based on these figures, the estimated cost of the AD for U.S. operators is \$11,040, or \$160 per airplane.

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 regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this AD and placed it in the AD docket. See the **ADDRESSES** section for a location to examine the regulatory evaluation.

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 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

2007–21–14 Airbus: Amendment 39–15232. Docket No. FAA–2007–27925; Directorate Identifier 2006–NM–183–AD.

Effective Date

(a) This AD becomes effective November 20, 2007.

Affected ADs

(b) None.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to all Airbus Model A310 series airplanes, certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD requires revisions to certain operator maintenance documents to include new inspections and critical design configuration control limitations (CDCCLs). Compliance with the operator maintenance documents is required by 14 CFR 91.403(c). For airplanes that have been previously modified, altered, or repaired in the areas addressed by these inspections and CDCCLs, the operator may not be able to accomplish the inspections and CDCCLs described in the revisions. In this situation, to comply with 14 CFR 91.403(c), the operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance according to paragraph (j) of this AD. The request should include a description of changes to the required inspections and CDCCLs that will preserve the critical ignition source prevention feature of the affected fuel system.

Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD results from fuel system reviews conducted by the manufacturer. We are issuing this AD to prevent the potential of ignition sources inside fuel tanks, which, in combination with flammable fuel vapors caused by latent failures, alterations, repairs, or maintenance actions, could result in fuel tank explosions and consequent loss of the airplane.

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.

Revise Airworthiness Limitations Section (ALS) To Incorporate Fuel Maintenance and Inspection Tasks

(f) Within 3 months after the effective date of this AD, revise the ALS of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness to incorporate Airbus A310 ALS Part 5—Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, dated May 31, 2006, as defined in Airbus A310 Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, Document 95A.1930/05, Issue 2, dated May 11, 2007 (approved by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) on July 6, 2007), Section 1, "Maintenance/ Inspection Tasks." For all tasks identified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05, the initial compliance times start from the later

of the times specified in paragraphs (f)(1) and (f)(2) of this AD, and the repetitive inspections must be accomplished thereafter at the intervals specified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05, except as provided by paragraph (g) of this AD.

(1) The effective date of this AD.

(2) The date of issuance of the original French standard airworthiness certificate or the date of issuance of the original French export certificate of airworthiness.

Note 2: Airbus Operator Information Telex SE 999.0079/07, Revision 01, dated August 14, 2007, identifies the applicable sections of the Airbus A310 airplane maintenance manual necessary for accomplishing the tasks specified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05.

Initial Compliance Time for Task 28–18–00–03–1

- (g) For Task 28–18–00–03–1 identified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05, "Maintenance/Inspection Tasks," of Airbus A310 Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, Document 95A.1930/05, Issue 2, dated May 11, 2007 (approved by the EASA on July 6, 2007): The initial compliance time is the later of the times specified in paragraphs (g)(1) and (g)(2) of this AD. Thereafter, Task 28–18–00–03–1 must be accomplished at the repetitive interval specified in Section 1 of Document 95A.1930/05.
- (1) Prior to the accumulation of 40,000 total flight hours.
- (2) Within 72 months or 20,000 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.

Revise ALS To Incorporate CDCCLs

(h) Within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, revise the ALS of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness to incorporate Airbus A310 ALS Part 5—Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, dated May 31, 2006, as defined in Airbus A310 Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, Document 95A.1930/05, Issue 2, dated May 11, 2007 (approved by the EASA on July 6, 2007), Section 2, "Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations."

No Alternative Inspections, Inspection Intervals, or CDCCLs

(i) Except as provided by paragraph (j) of this AD: After accomplishing the actions specified in paragraphs (f) and (h) of this AD, no alternative inspections, inspection intervals, or CDCCLs may be used.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(j)(1) The Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(2) To request a different method of compliance or a different compliance time for this AD, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Before using any approved AMOC on any airplane to which the AMOC applies, notify your appropriate principal inspector (PI) in the FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), or lacking a PI, your local FSDO.

Related Information

(k) EASA airworthiness directive 2007–0096 R1, dated May 2, 2007, also addresses the subject of this AD.

Material Incorporated by Reference

(l) You must use Airbus A310 ALS Part 5-Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, dated May 31, 2006; and Airbus A310 Fuel Airworthiness Limitations, Document 95A.1930/05, Issue 2, dated May 11, 2007; 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 these documents in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Contact Airbus, 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France, for a copy of this service information. You may review copies at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or 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/ibrlocations.html.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on October 5, 2007.

Ali Bahrami,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2007-28909; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-135-AD; Amendment 39-15230; AD 2007-21-12]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB-135BJ Airplanes

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for the products listed above. This AD results from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI describes the unsafe condition as:

It has been found cases in which some wiring harnesses were not protected in accordance with SFAR–88 (Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 88) requirements. The potential of ignition sources, in combination with flammable fuel vapors, could result in fuel tank explosions and consequent loss of the airplane. We are issuing this AD to require actions to correct the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: This AD becomes effective November 20, 2007.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of November 20, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov or in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Rodina, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057-3356; telephone (425) 227-2125; fax (425) 227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to include an AD that would apply to the specified products. That NPRM was published in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 2007 (72 FR 44435). That NPRM proposed to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states:

It has been found cases in which some wiring harnesses were not protected in accordance with SFAR–88 (Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 88) requirements.

The potential of ignition sources, in combination with flammable fuel vapors, could result in fuel tank explosions and consequent loss of the airplane. The corrective action includes installing heat shrinkable sleeves on the inspection and refueling panel illumination lights wiring, and installing nipples on the terminal lugs to protect the wire terminals. You may obtain further information by examining the MCAI in the AD docket.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. We received no comments on the NPRM or on the determination of the cost to the public.

Conclusion

We reviewed the available data and determined that air safety and the