

**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):

**Boeing:** Docket No. FAA-2007-0264; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-212-AD.

#### Comments Due Date

(a) The FAA must receive comments on this AD action by January 17, 2008.

#### Affected ADs

(b) None.

#### Applicability

(c) This AD applies to all Boeing Model 707-100 long body, -200, -100B long body, and -100B short body series airplanes; Model 707-300, -300B, -300C, and -400 series airplanes; and Model 720 and 720B series airplanes, certificated in any category.

#### Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD results from reports of in-flight departure and separation of the flight deck windows. We are issuing this AD to detect and correct cracking in the vinyl interlayer or damage to the structural inner glass panes of the flight deck No. 2, No. 4, and No. 5 windows, which could result in loss of a window and rapid loss of cabin pressure. Loss of cabin pressure could cause crew communication difficulties or crew incapacitation.

#### 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.

#### Repetitive Inspections and Replacement

(f) At the applicable times specified in Tables 1, 2, and 3 of paragraph 1.E. of Boeing 707 Alert Service Bulletin A3526, dated June 4, 2007, except as provided by paragraph (g) of this AD: Do the internal and external detailed inspections for any cracking of or damage to the left side and right side flight deck No. 2, No. 4, and No. 5 windows, as applicable, and do the applicable corrective actions before further flight, by accomplishing all of the applicable actions specified in the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing 707 Alert Service Bulletin A3526, dated June 4, 2007. Repeat the inspections thereafter at the applicable interval specified in paragraph 1.E. of Boeing 707 Alert Service Bulletin A3526, dated June 4, 2007.

#### Exception to Compliance Times

(g) Where Tables 1, 2, and 3 of paragraph 1.E. of Boeing 707 Alert Service Bulletin A3526, dated June 4, 2007, specify counting the compliance time from “\* \* \* the date on this service bulletin,” this AD requires counting the compliance time from the effective date of this AD.

#### Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(h)(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), 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.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair required by this AD, if it is approved by an Authorized Representative for the Boeing Commercial Airplanes Delegation Option Authorization Organization who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make those findings. For a repair method to be approved, the repair must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 7, 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-2007-0266; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-170-AD]**

**RIN 2120-AA64**

#### **Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330 Series Airplanes and Model A340-200 and -300 Series Airplanes**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Airbus Model A330 series airplanes and Model A340-200 and -300 series airplanes. This proposed AD would require revising the airplane flight manual (AFM) to prohibit the flightcrew from performing CAT 2 and CAT 3 automatic landings and roll-outs at certain airports. This AD also provides an optional terminating action for the AFM revision. This proposed AD results from data showing that the magnetic variation table installed in certain Honeywell and Northrop Grumman air data inertial reference units (ADIRUs) is obsolete at certain airports. We are proposing this AD to prevent the airplane from departing the

runway during a CAT 2 or CAT 3 automatic landing or roll-out, due to differences between actual magnetic variation and the values in the ADIRU magnetic variation tables.

**DATES:** We must receive comments on this proposed AD by January 2, 2008.

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

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Fax:** 202-493-2251.

- **Mail:** U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

- **Hand Delivery:** U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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 proposed AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Office (telephone 800-647-5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tim Backman, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057-3356; telephone (425) 227-2797; fax (425) 227-1149.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Comments Invited**

We invite you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposed AD. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include “Docket No. FAA-2007-0266; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-170-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.

### Discussion

The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), which is the technical agent for the Member States of the European Union, notified us that an unsafe condition may exist on certain Airbus Model A330 series airplanes and Model A340–200 and –300 series airplanes equipped with certain Honeywell or Northrop Grumman air data inertial reference units (ADIRUs). The EASA advises that the magnetic variation table

installed in certain Honeywell and Northrop Grumman ADIRUs is obsolete at certain airports. Studies have shown that, for a given airport, a difference greater than 3 degrees between the real magnetic variation and the variation in the ADIRU could result in misinformation to the flightcrew during the phases of CAT 2 or CAT 3 automatic landing or roll-out. This condition, if not corrected, could result in the airplane departing the runway during a CAT 2 or CAT 3 automatic landing or roll-out.

### Relevant Service Information

Airbus has issued the following temporary revisions (TRs) to the A330 Airplane Flight Manual (AFM): TR 2.05.00/67, Issue 2, dated September 19, 2007; and TR 2.05.00/68, dated March 31, 2006. Airbus has also issued the

following TRs to the A340 AFM: TR 2.05.00/87, Issue 2, dated September 19, 2007; and TR 2.05.00/88, dated March 31, 2006. The TRs provide operational limitations that prohibit the flightcrew from performing CAT 2 and CAT 3 automatic landings and roll-outs at airports where the difference between the real magnetic deviation and the deviation in the ADIRU is greater than 3 degrees. The TRs also list the affected airports and date by which automatic landings and roll-outs are prohibited.

We have reviewed the service bulletins listed in the “Optional Terminating Action” table, which describe procedures for replacing certain ADIRUs with new, improved ADIRUs. Accomplishing the actions specified in the applicable service bulletin would end the need for the AFM revision.

### OPTIONAL TERMINATING ACTION

Model—	Airbus service bulletin—
A330–200 and A330–300 series airplanes equipped with certain Northrop Grumman ADIRUs.	A330–34–3132, dated December 16, 2003; or Revision 01, dated August 18, 2004.
A330–200 and A330–300 series airplanes equipped with certain Honeywell ADIRUs.	A330–34–3159, dated February 10, 2005.
A340–200 and A340–300 series airplanes equipped with certain Northrop Grumman ADIRUs.	A330–34–3104, dated July 17, 2003.
	A330–34–3165, dated June 28, 2006.
	A340–34–4141, dated December 16, 2003; or Revision 01, dated August 18, 2004.
	A340–34–4163, dated February 10, 2005.
A340–200 and A340–300 series airplanes equipped with certain Honeywell ADIRUs.	A340–34–4114, dated July 17, 2003.
	A340–34–4166, dated June 28, 2006.

Accomplishing the actions specified in the service information is intended to adequately address the unsafe condition. The EASA mandated the service information and issued airworthiness directive 2006–0232, dated August 7, 2006, to ensure the continued airworthiness of these airplanes in the European Union.

### FAA’s Determination and Requirements of the Proposed AD

These airplane models are manufactured in France and are type certificated for operation in the United States under the provisions of section 21.29 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.29) and the applicable bilateral airworthiness agreement. As described in FAA Order 8100.14A, “Interim Procedures for Working with the European Community on Airworthiness Certification and Continued Airworthiness,” dated August 12, 2005, the EASA has kept the FAA informed of the situation described above. We have examined the EASA’s findings, evaluated all pertinent information, and determined that we need to issue an AD for airplanes of this

type design that are certificated for operation in the United States.

Therefore, we are proposing this AD, which would require revising the AFM to prohibit the flightcrew from performing CAT 2 and CAT 3 automatic landings and roll-outs at certain airports. This proposed AD also provides an optional terminating action for the AFM revision.

### Costs of Compliance

This proposed AD would affect about 40 airplanes of U.S. registry. The proposed actions would take about 1 work hour per airplane, at an average labor rate of \$80 per work hour. Based on these figures, the estimated cost of the proposed AD for U.S. operators is \$3,200, or \$80 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 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 that the 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. 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, 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 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

**Airbus:** Docket No. FAA-2007-0266; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-170-AD.

#### Comments Due Date

(a) The FAA must receive comments on this AD action by January 2, 2008.

#### Affected ADs

(b) None.

#### Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Airbus Model A330-200, A330-300, A340-200, and A340-300 series airplanes, certificated in any category; equipped with the air data inertial reference units (ADIRUs) identified in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this AD.

(1) Honeywell ADIRUs having part numbers (P/Ns) HG2030AC0X (where X is any number between 0 and 9 inclusive) and P/Ns HG2030ADYY (where YY is any number between 00 and 10 inclusive).

(2) Northrop Grumman (formerly Litton) ADIRUs having P/Ns 465020-030303ZZ (where ZZ is any number between 00 and 12 inclusive).

#### Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD results from data showing that the magnetic variation table installed in certain Honeywell and Northrop Grumman ADIRUs is obsolete at certain airports. We are issuing this AD to prevent the airplane from departing the runway during a CAT 2 or CAT

3 automatic landing or roll-out, due to differences between actual magnetic variation and the values in the ADIRU magnetic variation tables.

#### 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.

#### Temporary Revision (TR) References

(f) The term "Temporary Revision," as used in this AD, means the following TRs, as applicable:

(1) For Model A330-200 and A330-300 series airplanes equipped with any Honeywell ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this AD: Airbus TR 2.05.00/67, Issue 2, dated September 19, 2007, to the Airbus A330 Airplane Flight Manual (AFM);

(2) For Model A330-200 and A330-300 series airplanes equipped with any Northrop Grumman ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD: Airbus TR 2.05.00/68, dated March 31, 2006, to the Airbus A330 AFM;

(3) For Model A340-200 and A340-300 series airplanes equipped with any Honeywell ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this AD: Airbus TR 2.05.00/87, Issue 2, dated September 19, 2007, to the Airbus A340 AFM;

(4) For Model A340-200 and A340-300 series airplanes equipped with any Northrop Grumman ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD: Airbus TR 2.05.00/88, dated March 31, 2006, to the Airbus A340 AFM.

#### Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) Revision

(g) Within 14 days after the effective date of this AD, revise the Limitations Section of the Airbus A330 or A340 AFM, as applicable, to prohibit the flightcrew from performing CAT 2 and CAT 3 automatic landings and roll-outs at certain airports by incorporating the applicable Temporary Revision into the AFM. Operate the airplane according to the limitations in the applicable TR.

(h) When the information in the applicable TR has been incorporated into the general revisions of the Airbus A330 or A340 AFM, as applicable, the general revisions may be inserted into the AFM, and the TR may be removed from the AFM.

#### Optional Terminating Action

(i) Replacing the ADIRUs with new, improved ADIRUs as specified in paragraph (i)(1), (i)(2), (i)(3), or (i)(4) of this AD terminates the AFM revision required by paragraph (g) of this AD.

(1) For Model A330-200 and A330-300 series airplanes equipped with any Honeywell ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this AD, doing the replacement in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Service Bulletin A330-34-3165, dated June 28, 2006; or Airbus Service Bulletin A330-34-3104, dated July 17, 2003.

(2) For Model A330-200 and A330-300 series airplanes equipped with any Northrop Grumman ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD, doing the replacement in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Service Bulletin A330-34-3132, dated December 16, 2003, or

Revision 01, dated August 18, 2004; or Airbus Service Bulletin A330-34-3159, dated February 10, 2005.

(3) For Model A340-200 and A340-300 series airplanes equipped with any Honeywell ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(1) of this AD, doing the replacement in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Service Bulletin A340-34-4166, dated June 28, 2006; or Airbus Service Bulletin A340-34-4114, dated July 17, 2003.

(4) For Model A340-200 and A340-300 series airplanes equipped with any Northrop Grumman ADIRU identified in paragraph (c)(2) of this AD, doing the replacement in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Service Bulletin A340-34-4141, dated December 16, 2003, or Revision 01, dated August 18, 2004; or Airbus Service Bulletin A340-34-4163, dated February 10, 2005.

#### Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(j)(1) The Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, 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) European Aviation Safety Agency airworthiness directive 2006-0232, dated August 7, 2006, also addresses the subject of this AD.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 23, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2007-0262; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-247-AD]

**RIN 2120-AA64**

#### Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2B19 (Regional Jet Series 100 & 440) Airplanes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for the