Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52, dated July 12, 2023 (Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52).

# (d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 35, Portable Oxygen System.

## (e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by production flight test findings of several oxygen masks disconnected from their accompanying portable oxygen bottles. The FAA is issuing this AD to ensure oxygen masks are connected to the accompanying portable oxygen bottles. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could result in oxygen not being provided to the cabin crew and/or passengers during a sudden decompression above 10,000 feet or during a first aid situation.

#### (f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

#### (g) Requirements

Except as specified in paragraph (h) of this AD: Comply with all required actions and compliance times specified in, and in accordance with, Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52.

#### (h) Exception to Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52

Where Transport Canada AD CF–2023–52 refers to its effective date, this AD requires using the effective date of this AD.

#### (i) Additional AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, International Validation Branch, 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 responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the International Validation Branch, mail it to the address identified in paragraph (j) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: 9-AVS-NYACO-COS@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(2) Contacting the Manufacturer: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA; or Transport Canada; or Transport Canada Design Approval Organization (DAO). If approved by the DAO, the approval must include the DAOauthorized signature.

## (j) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Fatin Saumik, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone 516-228–7300; email fatin.r.saumik@faa.gov.

## (k) 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) Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52, dated July 12, 2023.

(ii) [Reserved]

(3) For Transport Canada AD CF-2023-52, contact Transport Canada, Transport Canada National Aircraft Certification, 159 Cleopatra Drive, Nepean, Ontario K1A 0N5, Canada; telephone 888–663–3639; email

TC.AirworthinessDirectives-

Consignesdenavigabilite.TC@tc.gc.ca. You may find this Transport Canada AD on the Transport Canada website at tc.canada.ca/ en/aviation.

(4) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.

(5) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ ibr-locations, or email fr.inspection@ nara.gov.

Issued on March 8, 2024.

## Victor Wicklund,

Deputy Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 2024-05393 Filed 3-20-24; 8:45 am]

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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2024-0467; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00892-T]

#### RIN 2120-AA64

# Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Bombardier, Inc., Model CL-600-2B16 (604 Variant) airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by a report of sparking due to damaged wire insulation in the fueling adapter. This proposed AD would require inspecting the electrical wires attached to the airplane connector located behind the fuel scupper for damage, and all

applicable related investigative and corrective actions. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by May 6, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to 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: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

AD Docket: You may examine the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA-2024-0467; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, the mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI), any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

Material Incorporated by Reference: For service information identified in this NPRM, contact Bombardier **Business Aircraft Customer Response** Center, 400 Côte-Vertu Road West, Dorval, Québec H4S 1Y9, Canada; phone 514-855-2999; email ac.yul@ aero.bombardier.com; website bombardier.com.

• You may view this service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Dzierzynski, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: 516–228–7300; email: 9-avs-nyaco-cos@ faa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Comments Invited**

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under ADDRESSES. Include "Docket No. FAA-2024-0467; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00892-T<sup>"</sup> at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend the proposal because of those comments.

Except for Confidential Business Information (CBI) as described in the following paragraph, and other information as described in 14 CFR 11.35, the FAA will post all comments received, without change, to *regulations.gov*, including any personal information you provide. The agency will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact received about this NPRM.

# **Confidential Business Information**

CBI is commercial or financial information that is both customarily and actually treated as private by its owner. Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552), CBI is exempt from public disclosure. If your comments responsive to this NPRM contain commercial or financial information that is customarily treated as private, that you actually treat as private, and that is relevant or responsive to this NPRM, it is important that you clearly designate the submitted comments as CBI. Please mark each page of your submission containing CBI as "PROPIN." The FAA will treat such marked submissions as confidential under the FOIA, and they will not be placed in the public docket of this NPRM. Submissions containing CBI should be sent to Steven Dzierzynski, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: 516-228-7300; email: 9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov. Any commentary that the FAA receives which is not specifically designated as CBI will be placed in the public docket for this rulemaking.

## Background

Transport Canada, which is the aviation authority for Canada, has issued Transport Canada AD CF-2023-55, dated July 18, 2023 (Transport Canada AD CF–2023–55) (also referred to after this as the MCAI), to correct an unsafe condition on certain Bombardier, Inc., Model CL-600-2B16 (604 Variant) airplanes. The MCAI states that during airplane refueling, a spark was seen when the fuel cap chain contacted one of the fuel scupper bolts. An inspection was performed and one of the fourteen bolts that surround the fuel inlet was found touching an electrical wire behind the scupper. Due to vibrations during flight, the bolt damaged the wire insulation and when the bolt was grounded to the airframe a spark was generated. This condition, if not corrected, could lead to electrical sparks during refueling and possibly result in a fire.

The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. You may examine the MCAI in the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2024–0467.

## Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed Bombardier Service Bulletin 605–28–014, dated May 10, 2023; and Bombardier Service Bulletin 650–28–003, dated May 10, 2023. This service information specifies procedures for inspecting the electrical wires attached to the J274 connector (*i.e.*, the airplane connector located behind the fuel scupper) for damage (*i.e.*, core of the electrical wire exposed, or damage such as black soot to the insulation with no core exposure), and applicable related investigative and corrective actions. The related investigative action includes inspecting the fuel scupper for damage (*i.e.*, arcing or pitting marks directly or indirectly induced by the wire chaffed on the scupper bolt and the surrounding area). The corrective actions include repairing any damaged fuel scupper, repairing or replacing any damaged electrical wire, and reinstalling the fuel scupper without a certain attachment bolt. These documents are distinct since they apply to different configurations of the airplane.

This service information is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the **ADDRESSES** section.

## **FAA's Determination**

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to the FAA's bilateral agreement with this State of Design Authority, it has notified the FAA of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI and service information referenced above. The FAA is issuing this NPRM after determining that the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

# Proposed AD Requirements in This NPRM

This proposed AD would require accomplishing the actions specified in the service information already described.

# **Costs of Compliance**

The FAA estimates that this AD, if adopted as proposed, would affect 163 airplanes of U.S. registry. The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this proposed AD:

# ESTIMATED COSTS FOR REQUIRED ACTIONS

Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
3 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$255		\$255	\$41,565

The FAA estimates the following costs to do any necessary on-condition actions that would be required based on the results of any required actions. The FAA has no way of determining the

number of aircraft that might need these on-condition actions:

# ESTIMATED COSTS OF ON-CONDITION ACTIONS

Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product
4 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$340 *		\$340

\*The FAA has received no definitive data on which to base the cost estimates for the on-condition scupper repair specified in this proposed AD.

\*\* The FAA has received no definitive data on which to base the parts cost for the electrical wire replacement specified in this proposed AD.

## 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.

The FAA is 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**

The FAA 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) Would not affect intrastate

aviation in Alaska, and

(3) Would 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, 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 airworthiness directive:

Bombardier, Inc.: Docket No. FAA–2024– 0467; Project Identifier MCAI–2023– 00892–T.

## (a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by May 6, 2024.

# (b) Affected ADs

None.

## (c) Applicability

This AD applies to Bombardier, Inc., Model CL–600–2B16 (604 Variant) airplanes, certificated in any category, serial numbers 5775 through 5990 inclusive and 6050 through 6178 inclusive.

### (d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 28, Fuel.

#### (e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by a report of sparking due to damaged wire insulation in the fueling adapter. The FAA is issuing this AD to address damaged wire insulation. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could lead to electrical sparks during refueling and possibly result in a fire.

# (f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

# (g) Inspections

Within 48 months after the effective date of this AD: Inspect the electrical wires attached to the J274 connector for damage, in accordance with Section 2.B of the Accomplishment Instructions of the applicable Bombardier service bulletin referenced in figure 1 to paragraph (g) of this AD.

Figure 1 to Paragraph (g)—Applicable Service Bulletins

Model	Serial Number	Service Bulletin
CL-600-2B16	5775 through 5990 inclusive	Bombardier Service Bulletin 605-28-014, dated May 10, 2023
CL-600-2B16	6050 through 6178 inclusive	Bombardier Service Bulletin 650-28-003, dated May 10, 2023

# (h) Related Investigative and Corrective Actions

Before further flight after accomplishing paragraph (g) of this AD, do the applicable actions specified in paragraph (h)(1) or (2) of this AD.

(1) If no electrical wire is damaged, do the related investigative and corrective actions specified in and in accordance with Section 2.C of the Accomplishment Instructions of the applicable Bombardier service bulletin referenced in figure 1 to paragraph (g) of this AD.

(2) If any electrical wire is damaged, do the related investigative and corrective actions specified in and in accordance with Section 2.D of the Accomplishment Instructions of the applicable Bombardier service bulletin referenced in figure 1 to paragraph (g) of this AD.

# (i) Additional AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, International Validation Branch, 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 responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the International Validation Branch, mail it to the address identified in paragraph (j)(2) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: 9-AVS-NYACO-COS®faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(2) Contacting the Manufacturer: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA; or Transport Canada; or Bombardier, Inc.'s Transport Canada Design Approval Organization (DAO). If approved by the DAO, the approval must include the DAO-authorized signature.

# (j) Additional Information

(1) Refer to Transport Canada AD CF– 2023–55, dated July 18, 2023, for related information. This Transport Canada AD may be found in the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2024–0467. (2) For more information about this AD, contact Steven Dzierzynski, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone: 516–228–7300; email: *9-avs-nyaco-cos@faa.gov.* 

#### (k) 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) Bombardier Service Bulletin 605–28– 014, dated May 10, 2023.

(ii) Bombardier Service Bulletin 650–28– 003, dated May 10, 2023.

(3) For service information identified in this AD, contact Bombardier Business Aircraft Customer Response Center, 400 Côte-Vertu Road West, Dorval, Québec H4S 1Y9, Canada; phone 514–855–2999; email *ac.yul@ aero.bombardier.com;* website *bombardier.com.* 

(4) You may view this service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195.

(5) You may view this service material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

Issued on March 8, 2024.

#### Victor Wicklund,

Deputy Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 2024–05395 Filed 3–20–24; 8:45 am]

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# DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2024-0468; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00762-T]

# RIN 2120-AA64

# Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Canada Limited Partnership (Type Certificate Previously Held by C Series Aircraft Limited Partnership (CSALP); Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Airbus Canada Limited Partnership Model BD–500–1A10 and BD–500–1A11 airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by multiple

occurrences of pilot and co-pilot seats locking in a fore-aft position due to the seat fore-aft adjustment mechanism disconnecting, caused by a broken cotter pin in the seat base egress linkage. This proposed AD would require modifying the pilot and co-pilot seats by replacing the hardware of the seat base egress linkage, as specified in a Transport Canada AD, which is proposed for incorporation by reference (IBR). The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. **DATES:** The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by May 6, 2024. ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, by any of the following methods:

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AD Docket: You may examine the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2024–0468; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this NPRM, the mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI), any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above. *Material Incorporated by Reference:* 

• For Transport Canada material that is proposed for IBR in this AD, contact Transport Canada, Transport Canada National Aircraft Certification, 159 Cleopatra Drive, Nepean, Ontario K1A 0N5, Canada; telephone 888–663–3639; email *TC.AirworthinessDirectives-Consignesdenavigabilite.TC@tc.gc.ca.* You may find this material on the Transport Canada website at *tc.canada.ca/en/aviation.* It is also available at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA–2024–0468.

• You may view this material that is incorporated by reference at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fatin Saumik, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; phone 516–228– 7300; email *fatin.r.saumik@faa.gov.* 

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Comments Invited**

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "Docket No. FAA-2024-0468; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00762-T" at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposal because of those comments.

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### Background

Transport Canada, which is the aviation authority for Canada, has issued Transport Canada AD CF–2023– 40, dated June 13, 2023 (Transport Canada AD CF–2023–40) (also referred to as the MCAI), to correct an unsafe condition for certain Airbus Canada