

structural performance, then the provisions of these special conditions must be met for the dispatched condition and for subsequent failures. Flight limitations and expected operational limitations may be taken into account in establishing Q_j as the combined probability of being in the dispatched failure condition and the subsequent failure condition for the safety margins in Figures 2 and 3. These limitations must be such that the probability of being in this combined failure state and then subsequently encountering limit load conditions is extremely improbable. No reduction in these safety margins is allowed if the subsequent system failure rate is greater than 10^{-3} per hour.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on July 12, 2002.

Ali Bahrami,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2002-NE-01-AD; Amendment 39-12830; AD 2002-15-02]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (Formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar) T-62T Series Auxiliary Power Units

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), that is applicable to Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar) T-62T series auxiliary power units (APU's) with compressor wheel part number (P/N) 100636-1 installed. This amendment requires the replacement of compressor wheels P/N 100636-1. This amendment is prompted by a manufacturer's stress analysis that indicates stress levels high enough to initiate and drive crack growth in these compressor wheels. The actions specified by this AD are intended to mandate the replacement of the affected compressor wheels, which if not replaced, could result in uncontained compressor wheel failure and damage to the airplane.

DATES: Effective August 28, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems, Technical Publications Department, P.O. Box 7002, Rockford, IL 61125-7002; telephone (815) 623-5983; fax (815) 966-8525. This information may be examined, by appointment, at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Roger Pesuit, Aerospace Engineer, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 3960 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, CA 90712-4137; telephone (562) 627-5251, fax (562) 627-5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an AD that is applicable to Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar) T-62T series APU's with compressor wheel P/N 100636-1 was published in the **Federal Register** on March 28, 2002 (67 FR 14889). That action proposed to mandate the replacement of the affected compressor wheels, which if not replaced, could result in uncontained compressor wheel failure and damage to the airplane.

Comments

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. No comments were received on the proposal or the FAA's determination of the cost to the public. The FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule as proposed.

Economic Analysis

There are approximately 492 Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar) models T-62T-2C, T-62T-25, T-62T-29, and T-62T-39 APU's of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. The FAA estimates that 337 APU's installed on aircraft of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD, that it will take approximately 40 work hours per APU to perform the required actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Required parts will cost approximately \$16,799 per engine. Based on these figures, the total cost of the AD to U.S. operators is estimated to be \$ 6,470,063.

Regulatory Analysis

This final rule does not have federalism implications, as defined in Executive Order 13132, because it 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. Accordingly, the FAA has not consulted with state authorities prior to publication of this final rule.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (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. A final evaluation has been prepared for this action and it is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (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. Section 39.13 is amended by adding a new airworthiness directive to read as follows:

2002-15-02 Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar): Amendment 39-12830. Docket No. 2002-NE-01-AD.

Applicability

This airworthiness directive (AD) is applicable to Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems (formerly Sundstrand Power Systems, Turbomach, and Solar) models T-62T-2C, T-62T-25, T-62T-29, and T-62T-39 auxiliary power units (APU's) that have compressor wheel part number (P/N) 100636-1 installed. These APU's are installed on, but not limited to, Fairchild

FH-227, Dassault Falcon 20, Lockheed 1329 series (Jetstar), British Aerospace Jetstream 3101, Raytheon Aircraft HS125-600, -700, -800, and Sabreliner Corporation 60 and 80 airplanes, and Boeing Defense & Space Group 234 Series helicopters.

Note 1: This AD applies to each APU identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For APUs that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (e) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance

Compliance with this AD is required as indicated, unless already done.

To replace affected compressor wheels P/N 100636-1, which if not replaced, could result in uncontained compressor wheel failure and damage to the airplane, do the following:

Cast Steel Compressor Wheel Replacement

(a) For compressor wheels, P/N 100636-1, made of cast steel, identifiable by a four-digit casting lot vendor identification number used as a prefix to the serial number, replace compressor wheels with compressor wheel P/N 4503164, 4504174, or M4504174 as follows:

(1) Replace cast steel compressor wheels with 2,350 or greater cycles-since-new (CSN) on the effective date of this AD within 250 cycles-in-service (CIS) after the effective date of this AD.

(2) Replace cast steel compressor wheels with less than 2,350 CSN on the effective date of this AD before accumulating 2,600 CSN.

Wrought Steel Compressor Wheel Replacement

(b) For compressor wheels, P/N 100636-1 made of wrought steel, identifiable by a serial number beginning with the letter W, replace compressor wheels with compressor wheel P/N 4503164, 4504174, or M4504174 as follows:

(1) Replace wrought steel compressor wheels with 3,600 or greater CSN on the effective date of this AD within 500 CIS after the effective date of this AD.

(2) Replace wrought steel compressor wheels with less than 3,600 CSN on the effective date of this AD before accumulating 4,100 CSN.

(c) Information on procedures for replacing compressor wheel P/N 100636-1 may be found in Hamilton Sundstrand Power Systems service bulletin No. SB-T-62T-49-148, Revision 1, dated December 20, 2001.

Reduced Life Limits

(d) This AD establishes new cyclic life limits for compressor wheels P/N 100636-1,

of 2,600 CSN for cast steel compressor wheels and 4,100 CSN for wrought steel compressor wheels. Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this AD, no alternate life limits for these parts may be approved.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(e) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office (ACO). Operators must submit their request through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles ACO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles ACO.

Special Flight Permits

(f) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be done.

Effective Date

(g) This amendment becomes effective on August 28, 2002.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on July 15, 2002.

Jay J. Pardee,

Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2002-NM-131-AD; Amendment 39-12825; AD 2002-14-25]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB-135 and -145 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule request for comments.

SUMMARY: This amendment supersedes an existing airworthiness directives (AD), applicable to certain EMBRAER Model EMB-135 and -145 series airplanes, that currently requires repetitive inspections (tests) of the actuator clutches of the primary and backup pitch trim systems of the horizontal stabilizer for proper pitch trim indications, and replacement of the actuator, if necessary. This amendment

expands the applicability in the existing AD. This amendment is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified in this AD are intended to prevent loss of pitch trim command during the takeoff and climb phase of flight due to improper set point of the actuator clutches, which would result in high pitch control forces and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane. This action is needed to address the identified unsafe condition.

DATES: Effective August 8, 2002.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of August 8, 2002.

The incorporation by reference of certain other publications, as listed in the regulations, was approved previously by the Director of the Federal Register as of May 16, 2002 (67 FR 21567), May 1, 2002).

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before September 23, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2002-NM-131-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Comments may be submitted via fax to (425) 227-1232. Comments may also be sent via the Internet using the following address: 9/anm-iarccomment@faa.gov. Comments sent via fax or the Internet must contain "Docket No. 202-NM-131-AD" in the subject line and need not be submitted in triplicate. Comments sent via the internet as attached electronic files must be formatted in Microsoft Word 97 for Windows or ASCII text.

The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER), P.O. Box 343—CEP 12.225, Sao Jose dos Campos—SP, Brazil. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, One Crown Center, 1895 Phoenix Boulevard, suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

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