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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 35

[Docket No. PRM-35-13]

National Registry of Radiation Protection Technologists; Withdrawal of Petition for Rulemaking

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Withdrawal of petition for rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is notifying the public of the withdrawal of a petition for rulemaking (PRM-35-13) submitted by the National Registry of Radiation Protection Technologists (NRRPT). The petitioner requested that the NRC amend its regulations to accept NRRPT registration in lieu of the requirement for 200 hours of classroom training specified in 10 CFR 35.900(b)(1), and to accept the NRRPT registration as a substitute for 9 of the 12 months experience required in 10 CFR 35.900(b)(2) as a radiation safety technologist at a medical institution under the supervision of the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO). Since the receipt of the petition, the NRC has revised 10 CFR part 35, essentially in its entirety. The final rule was published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2002 (67 FR 20251-20397). On August 7, 2002, the petitioner formally withdrew its petition.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the petition for rulemaking, the public comments received, and NRC's e-mail acknowledging the petitioner's request to withdraw the petition may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, Room O1F23, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. These documents also may be viewed and downloaded electronically via the rulemaking Web site.

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and image files of NRC's public documents. These documents may be accessed through the NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 8, 1996, (61 FR 4754), the NRC published a notice of receipt of a petition for rulemaking PRM 35-13 in the **Federal Register**. The petition was submitted by the National Registry of Radiation Protection Technologists. The petition requested that the NRC amend its regulations to accept NRRPT registration in lieu of the requirement for 200 hours of classroom training specified in 10 CFR 35.900(b)(1), and to accept the NRRPT registration as a substitute for 9 of the 12 months experience required in 10 CFR 35.900(b)(2) as a radiation safety technologist at a medical institution under the supervision of the Radiation Safety Officer. Since the receipt of the petition, the NRC has revised 10 CFR part 35, essentially in its entirety. The final rule was published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2002 (67 FR 20251-20397). On August 7, 2002, the petitioner informed the NRC that it wished to withdraw its petition. Based on the petitioner's request, the NRC is withdrawing this petition for rulemaking.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of September 2002.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Annette Vietti-Cook,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2001-SW-40-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; MD Helicopters, Inc. Model 369D, 369E, 369F, and 369FF Helicopters

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes to revise an existing airworthiness directive (AD) for the specified MD Helicopters, Inc. (MDHI) helicopters. That AD currently requires identifying the part number (P/N) of the bolts that attach the tail rotor gearbox to the tailboom and replacing any bolt of inadequate grip length with an airworthy bolt. That AD also requires adding an additional washer if more than four threads protrude from the nutplate. This action would contain the same requirements as the existing AD but would reduce the applicability to only certain tailboom serial numbers and parts modified in accordance with either Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) SH5055NM or SH4801NM. The action would also correct a typographical error and clarify that a slippage mark needs to be reapplied to each bolt regardless of the outcome of the required torque test. This proposal is prompted by the need to reduce the applicability and to correct and clarify other portions of the existing AD. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent loss of a tail rotor gearbox due to bolts of inadequate grip length and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 25, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2001-SW-40-AD, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137. You may also send comments electronically to the Rules Docket at the following address: 9-asw-adcomments@faa.gov. Comments may be inspected at the