

advanced zone in El Paso and Hudspeth Counties, TX.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 8301–8317; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 5th day of August 2003.

Peter Fernandez,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 25

[Docket No. FAA–2002–11346; Amendment No. 25–110]

RIN 2120–AH38

Lower Deck Service Compartments on Transport Category Airplanes; Correction

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document makes corrections to the final rule published in the **Federal Register** on June 19, 2003. That rule amended the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes concerning lower deck service compartments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This correction is effective on August 8, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jayson Claar, telephone (425) 227–2194.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Correction

■ In the final rule FR Doc. 03–15532, published on June 19, 2003, (68 FR 36880), make the following corrections:

■ 1. On page 36880, in column 1 in the heading section, beginning on line 4, correct “Amendment No. 110” to read “Amendment No. 25–110”.

■ 2. On page 36883, in the third column, on the first line, correct the word “surface” to read “service.”

Issued in Washington, DC on August 4, 2003.

Donald P. Byrne,

Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2001–NM–357–AD; Amendment 39–13253; AD 2003–16–01]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model MD–11 and –11F Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model MD–11 and –11F airplanes, that requires modifying the overhead instrument lighting by relocating the dimmer control unit and revising the wire routing. This action is necessary to prevent overheating and internal component failure of the dimmer control unit of the overhead instrument lighting, which could result in smoke and/or fire in the flight compartment. This action is intended to address the identified unsafe condition.

DATES: Effective September 12, 2003.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of September 12, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Aircraft Group, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Data and Service Management, Dept. C1–L5A (D800–0024). This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; at the FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Natalie Phan-Tran, Aerospace Engineer, Systems and Equipment Branch, ANM–130L, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712–4137; telephone (562) 627–5343; fax (562) 627–5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD)

that is applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model MD–11 and –11F airplanes was published in the **Federal Register** on May 15, 2002 (67 FR 34635). That action proposed to require modifying the overhead instrument lighting by relocating the dimmer control unit and revising the wire routing.

Comments

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. The FAA has given due consideration to the comments received.

One commenter states no objection to the proposed AD.

Request To Ensure That Relocation of Switch Would Eliminate Unsafe Condition

Two commenters express concern about whether relocating the dimmer control unit for the overhead instrument light from its existing location to a better-ventilated area will adequately address the unsafe condition. The commenters note that the proposed AD states that inadequate heat dissipation in the existing location contributed to the overheating and internal component failure of the dimmer control unit. Both commenters question whether the proposed AD is addressing the root cause of the smoke in the flight deck—*i.e.*, the failure of the internal components in the dimmer control unit. The commenters noted that a related AD, AD 98–24–02, amendment 39–10889 (63 FR 63402, November 13, 1998), requires a modification of the dimmer control unit to replace the capacitor in the dimmer control unit with a new capacitor having a higher temperature rating. One of the commenters notes, however, that, even after accomplishment of AD 98–24–02, several operators have reported events involving smoke in the flight deck and failure of the new capacitors. Both commenters question whether adequate research has been done to ensure that relocating the dimmer control unit will preclude the overheating condition that can lead to smoke in the flight deck. One of the commenters states that the airplane manufacturer has informed it that no on-aircraft temperature readings were taken either before or after relocating the dimmer control unit. That commenter requests that such on-aircraft testing be accomplished before the FAA proceeds with this rulemaking action.

We infer that the commenters want us to postpone the proposed rulemaking until further testing and analysis are done to ensure that the proposed action