

**Reason**

(e) The mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) states:

The Type Certificate Holder (TCH) has received several reports of failed Rudder torque tube assemblies. The torque tube assemblies are subject to repetitive inspection in accordance Airworthiness Directive 2060 PRE 80. The recent failures occurred in service after the inspections required by AD 2060 PRE 80 had been performed. In the event of such failures, loss of directional control through both the Rudder and Nosewheel Steering may occur. The TCH has also received reports of loose rivets attaching the inboard Anchor Assembly to the Starboard Torque Tube. The MCAI requires the inspection of the rudder torque tube assemblies and hubs for cracking and loose rivets with conditional correction or replacement in accordance with de Havilland Support Limited Service Bulletin B121/65, Issue 2, dated August 10, 2005.

**Actions and Compliance**

(f) Unless already done, do the following actions:

(1) Within 100 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 100 hours TIS, inspect the Rudder Torque Tube Assemblies following de Havilland Support Limited Service Bulletin B121/65, Issue 2, dated August 10, 2005.

(2) Before further flight, replace any cracked Rudder Torque Tube Assemblies and correct any loose rivets in the Rudder Torque Tube Assemblies that are found in the inspections required in paragraph (f)(1) of this AD, following de Havilland Support Limited Service Bulletin B121/65, Issue 2, dated August 10, 2005.

(3) After the effective date of this AD, used rudder torque assemblies held as spares for British Aerospace Aircraft Group, Scottish Division, Model Beagle B.121 Series 1, 2, 3 airplanes must be inspected following de Havilland Support Limited Service Bulletin B121/65, Issue 2, dated August 10, 2005, and found free of cracks prior to installation.

**FAA AD Differences**

**Note:** This AD differs from the MCAI and/or service information as follows: No differences.

**Other FAA AD Provisions**

(g) The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs):* The Manager, Standards Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. Send information to ATTN: Taylor Martin, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329-4138; fax: (816) 329-4090. 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.

(2) *Airworthy Product:* For any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer or other source, use these actions if they are FAA-approved. Corrective actions are considered FAA-approved if they are approved by the State of Design Authority (or their delegated agent). You are required to assure the product is airworthy before it is returned to service.

(3) *Reporting Requirements:* For any reporting requirement in this AD, under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection requirements and has assigned OMB Control Number 2120-0056.

**Related Information**

(h) Refer to MCAI United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority AD No: G-2005-0030, dated October 12, 2005; and de Havilland Support Limited Service Bulletin B121/65, Issue 2, dated August 10, 2005, for related information.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on November 20, 2007.

**Kim Smith,**

*Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 39**

**[Docket No. FAA-2007-0249; Directorate Identifier 2007-CE-088-AD]**

**RIN 2120-AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; Alpha Aviation Design Limited Model R2160 Airplanes**

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

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

**SUMMARY:** We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for the products listed above that would supersede an existing AD. This proposed AD results from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI describes the unsafe condition as distortion of the rudder bars due to rudder control forces during aerobatic operation and nose wheel steering reaction forces. Rudder bar distortion could result in reduced control or loss of control. The proposed AD would require actions that are

intended to address the unsafe condition described in the MCAI.

**DATES:** We must receive comments on this proposed AD by December 27, 2007.

**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.

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

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:** Karl Schletzbaum, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329-4146; fax: (816) 329-4090.

**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-2007-0249; Directorate Identifier 2007-CE-088-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://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

In 1987, we issued AD 87-08-01, Amendment 39-5601, and in 1999, we issued AD 99-01-04, Amendment 39-10971. Those two ADs required actions intended to address an unsafe condition on the products listed above.

We since determined that it is necessary to expand the airplane applicability of AD 99-01-04 to require rudder bar replacement on Alpha Aviation Design Limited Model R2160 airplanes, serial numbers 1 through 378. The requirement to replace the rudder bars makes the inspection requirement of AD 87-08-01 no longer necessary.

The Civil Aviation Authority, which is the aviation authority for New Zealand, has issued AD DCA/R2000/23B, dated October 25, 2007 (referred to after this as "the MCAI"), to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states that rudder control forces during aerobatic operation and nose wheel steering reaction forces may cause rudder bar distortion. Rudder bar distortion could result in reduced control or loss of control.

The MCAI requires you to replace the left and right rudder bars with reinforced rudder bars.

You may obtain further information by examining the MCAI in the AD docket.

### Relevant Service Information

Alpha Aviation has issued Service Bulletin AA-SB-27-003, dated October 19, 2007. The actions described in this service information are intended to correct the unsafe condition identified in the MCAI.

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

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country, and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to our bilateral agreement with this State of Design Authority, they have notified us of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI and service information referenced above. We are proposing this AD because we evaluated all information and determined the unsafe condition exists and is likely to exist or

develop on other products of the same type design.

### Differences Between This Proposed AD and the MCAI or Service Information

We have reviewed the MCAI and related service information and, in general, agree with their substance. But we might have found it necessary to use different words from those in the MCAI to ensure the AD is clear for U.S. operators and is enforceable. In making these changes, we do not intend to differ substantively from the information provided in the MCAI and related service information.

We might also have proposed different actions in this AD from those in the MCAI in order to follow FAA policies. Any such differences are highlighted in a NOTE within the proposed AD.

### Costs of Compliance

Based on the service information, we estimate that this proposed AD would affect about 9 products of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it would take about 3 work-hours per product to comply with the basic requirements of this proposed AD. The average labor rate is \$80 per work-hour. Required parts would cost about \$657 per product.

Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of the proposed AD on U.S. operators to be \$8,073, or \$897 per product.

### 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 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. 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.

### 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 FAA amends § 39.13 by removing Amendment 39-5601 and Amendment 39-10971, and adding the following new AD:

**Alpha Aviation Design Limited:** Docket No. FAA-2007-0249; Directorate Identifier 2007-CE-088-AD.

#### Comments Due Date

- (a) We must receive comments by December 27, 2007.

#### Affected ADs

- (b) This AD supersedes AD 87-08-01, Amendment 39-5601; and AD 99-01-04, Amendment 39-10971.

#### Applicability

- (c) This AD applies to Model R2160 airplanes, serial numbers 1 through 378, that:
  - (1) Are certificated in any category; and
  - (2) Have not installed the improved design rudder bars part number (P/N) 27.40.31.010 and P/N 27.40.31.020 following either Avions Pierre Robin Service Bulletin No. 143, dated September 8, 1995, or Alpha Aviation Service Bulletin AA-SB-27-003, dated October 19, 2007.

#### Subject

- (d) Air Transport Association of America (ATA) Code 27: Flight Controls.

**Reason**

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**Restatement of Requirements of AD 99-01-04**

(f) For airplanes with serial numbers 250 through 378: Unless already done, within the next 50 hours time-in-service (TIS) after March 12, 1999 (the effective date of AD 99-01-04) replace the left and right rudder bars, part number (P/N) 27.23.01.010 (left) and P/N 27.23.01.020 (right), with the reinforced rudder bars, P/N 27.40.31.010 (left) and P/N 27.40.31.020 (right) or FAA-equivalent part numbers, following Alpha Aviation Service Bulletin AA-SB-27-003, dated October 19, 2007.

**New Requirements of This AD: Actions and Compliance**

(g) For airplanes with serial numbers 1 through 249: Unless already done, within the next 50 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD or within the next 3 months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first, replace the left and right rudder bars, P/N 27.23.05.010 (left) and P/N 27.23.05.020 (right), with the reinforced rudder bars, P/N 27.40.31.010 (left) and P/N 27.40.31.020 (right) or FAA-equivalent part numbers, following Alpha Aviation Service Bulletin AA-SB-27-003, dated October 19, 2007.

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(44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection requirements and has assigned OMB Control Number 2120-0056.

**Related Information**

(i) Refer to New Zealand Civil Aviation Authority AD DCA/R2000/23B, dated October 25, 2007; and Alpha Aviation Service Bulletin AA-SB-27-003, dated October 19, 2007, for related information.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on November 20, 2007.

**Kim Smith,**

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**FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION****16 CFR Part 260****Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims**

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment; announcement of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Trade Commission ("FTC" or "Commission") requests public comment on its Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims ("Green Guides" or "Guides"). The Commission is soliciting comment as part of its systematic review of all current FTC rules and guides. The Commission also is announcing plans to host public meetings to explore developments in environmental and "green energy-related" marketing.

**DATES:** Written comments relating to the Green Guides review must be received by February 11, 2008. The first public meeting, "Carbon Offsets and Renewable Energy Certificates," will be held on January 8, 2008 in Washington, DC. Details, including location and registration information, are set forth in a separate **Federal Register** notice published concurrently. The Commission plans to announce additional environmental marketing public meetings at later dates.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written comments relating to the Green Guides review. Comments should refer to "Green Guides Regulatory Review, 16 CFR part 260, Comment, Project No. P954501" to facilitate organization of comments. A comment filed in paper form should include this reference both in the text and on the envelope, and should be mailed or delivered to the following address: Federal Trade Commission/Office of the Secretary, Room H-135

(Annex B), 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580. Comments containing confidential material must be filed in paper form, must be clearly labeled "Confidential", and must comply with Commission Rule 4.9(c).<sup>1</sup> The FTC is requesting that any comment filed in paper form be sent by courier or overnight service, if possible, because postal mail in the Washington area and at the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security precautions.

Comments filed in electronic form should be submitted by following the instructions on the web-based form at <https://secure.commentworks.com/ftc-GreenGuidesReview>. To ensure that the Commission considers an electronic comment, you must file it on that web-based form. You may also visit <http://www.regulations.gov> to read this notice, and may file an electronic comment through that Web site. The Commission will consider all comments that [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) forwards to it.

The FTC Act and other laws the Commission administers permit the collection of public comments to consider and use in this proceeding as appropriate. The Commission will consider all timely and responsive public comments that it receives, whether filed in paper or electronic form. Comments received will be available to the public on the FTC Web site, to the extent practicable, at <http://www.ftc.gov>. As a matter of discretion, the FTC makes every effort to remove home contact information for individuals from the public comments it receives before placing those comments on the FTC Web site. To read our policy on how we handle the information you submit—including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act—please review the FTC's privacy policy, at <http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.shtm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janice Podoll Frankle, Attorney, 202-326-3022, or Laura Koss, Attorney, 202-326-2890, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

The Commission issued the Green Guides, 16 CFR part 260, to help marketers avoid making environmental

<sup>1</sup> The comment must be accompanied by an explicit request for confidential treatment, including the factual and legal basis for the request, and must identify the specific portions of the comment to be withheld from the public record. The request will be granted or denied by the Commission's General Counsel, consistent with applicable law and the public interest. See Commission Rule 4.9(C), 16 CFR 4.9(c).