Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

Airworthiness Directives; Teledyne Continental Motors (TCM) and Rolls-Royce Motors Ltd. (R–RM) Series Reciprocating Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are superseding an existing airworthiness directive (AD) for certain TCM and R–RM series reciprocating engines. This AD currently requires replacement of certain magneto if they fail within the specified serial number (S/N) range, inspection of the removed magneto to verify that the stop pin is still in place, and, if the stop pin is not in place, inspection of the engine gear train, crankcase, and accessory case. This new AD corrects the range of S/Ns affected, requires the same replacement and inspections, and adds R–RM C–125, C–145, O–300, IO–360, TSIO–360, and LTSIO–520–AE series reciprocating engines to the applicability. This AD was prompted by our awareness of an error in the previous AD applicability in the range of magneto S/Ns affected and of the need to include certain engines made by R–RM, under license of TCM. We are issuing this AD to prevent engine failure and loss of control of the airplane due to migration of the magneto impulse coupling stop pin out of the magneto frame and into the gear train of the engine.

DATES: This AD is effective January 24, 2012.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this AD, contact Teledyne Continental Motors, Inc., PO Box 90, Mobile, AL 36601; phone: 251–438–3411, or go to http://tcmlink.com/servicebulletins.cfm. You may review copies of the referenced service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803. For more information about this AD, call (816) 728–3175.

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 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The address for the Docket Office (phone: (800) 647–5527) is Document 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Juanita Craft, Aerospace Engineer, Atlanta Certification Office, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, Georgia 30337; phone: (404) 474–5584; fax: (404) 474–5606; email: juanita.craft@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR 243986. Replace the clips that hold the fuel tubes in place. Use paragraphs 3.A.(1) through 3.A.(3) (on-wing) of RR Non-modification Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) RB.211–73–AD685, Revision 6, dated February 21, 2011 to do the inspection. Replace any fan case LP fuel tubes that fail inspection.

(2) In-Shop Inspection and Clip Replacement

Inspect the fan case LP fuel tubes, P/N FK23967, FK19213, and FK23986. Replace the clips that hold the fuel tubes in place with new or serviceable clips. Use paragraphs 3.B.(1) through 3.B.(3) (in-shop) of RR Non-modification ASB RB.211–73–AD685, Revision 6, dated February 21, 2011 to do the inspection. Replace any fan case LP fuel tubes that fail inspection.

(g) Repetitive Inspection and Clip Replacement

Repeat the inspection required by paragraphs (f)(1) and (f)(2) of this AD and replace the clips at intervals not exceeding every 3,000 hours time-since-last-inspection.

(h) Re-Installation Prohibition

Do not re-install any clips replaced in accordance with paragraphs (f)(1) and (f)(2) of this AD.

(i) Previous Inspection Credit

If you previously performed the inspection required by Revision 3 of SB RB.211–73–D685, dated August 18, 2009, or Revision 4 of SB RB.211–73–D685, dated January 20, 2010, or Revision 5 of ASB RB.211–73–AD685, dated August 18, 2010, you met the initial inspection requirements of this AD.

(l) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

The Manager, Engine Certification Office, FAA, may approve AMOCs for this AD. Use the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19 to make your request.

(m) Related Information

(1) Refer to Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)


(2) Contact Alan Strom, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803; email: alan.strom@faa.gov; phone: (781) 238–7143; fax: (781) 238–7199, for more information about this AD.

(n) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) You must use the following service information to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51 of the following service information on the date specified.


(4) You may review copies at the FAA, New England Region, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (781) 238–7125.

(5) You may also review copies of the service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at an NARA facility, call (202) 741–6030, or go to http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on December 12, 2011.

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Acting Manager, Engine & Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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part 39 to supersed AD 2002–13–04, amendment 39–12792 (67 FR 43230, June 27, 2002). That AD applies to the specified products. The NPRM published in the Federal Register on June 28, 2011 (76 FR 37682). That NPRM proposed to continue to require replacement of certain magnetos if they fall within the specified S/N range, inspection of the removed magneto to verify that the stop pin is still in place, and, if the stop pin is not in place, inspection of the engine gear train, crankcase, and accessory case. That NPRM also proposed to correct the range of S/Ns affected and add R–RM C–125, C–145, O–300, IO–360, TSIO–360, and LTSIO–520–AE series reciprocating engines to the applicability. We are issuing this AD to prevent engine failure and loss of control of the airplane due to migration of the magneto impulse coupling stop pin out of the magneto frame and into the gear train of the engine.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. The following presents the comment received on the proposal and the FAA’s response to this comment.

Question on Who the AD Is Written Against

A commenter, not further identified, asked why the AD was issued against TCM and not “Slick.”

We do not agree. We write ADs against either a product or an appliance. In the case of this AD, magnetos are part of the engine type certificate and, therefore, considered part of the product (the engine). We did not change the AD as a result of this comment.

Conclusion

We reviewed the relevant data, considered the comment received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting the AD as proposed.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this AD affects 100 R–RM C–125, C–145, O–300, IO–360, TSIO–360, and LTSIO–520–AE series reciprocating engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it will take about 2 work-hours per engine to perform the inspections, and that the average labor rate is $85 per work-hour. Based on these figures, we estimate the total cost of this AD to U.S. operators to be $17,000. Our cost estimate is exclusive of possible warranty coverage.

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 have determined that this AD will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This AD will 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 that this AD:

(1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866,

(2) Is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979),

(3) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and

(4) 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.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA amends 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by removing airworthiness directive (AD) 2002–13–04, Amendment 39–12792 (67 FR 43230, June 27, 2002), and adding the following new AD:

2011–26–07 Teledyne Continental Motors (TCM) and Rolls-Royce Motors Ltd. (R–RM) Series Reciprocating Engines:


(a) Effective Date

This airworthiness directive (AD) is effective January 24, 2012.

(b) Affected ADs


(c) Applicability

This AD applies to TCM and R–RM C–125, C–145, O–300, IO–360, TSIO–360, and LTSIO–520–AE series reciprocating engines with Champion Aerospace (formerly Unison Industries) Slick Magnetos, models 6314, 6324, and 6364, with magneto serial numbers (S/Ns) of 99110001 through 99129909, inclusive.

(d) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by an error in the previous AD applicability in the range of magneto S/Ns affected, and by the need to include certain engines made by R–RM, under license of TCM. We are issuing this AD to prevent engine failure and loss of control of the airplane due to migration of the magneto impulse coupling stop pin out of the magneto frame and into the gear train of the engine.

(e) Compliance

Comply with this AD within 10 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, unless already done.

(f) Replacement of Magneto

Replace any magneto that has an S/N of 99110001 through 99129909, inclusive, with a magneto that does not have a serial number in that range. If a magneto is not in this S/N range, no further action is required by this AD.

(g) Inspections

Inspect each removed magneto to verify that the impulse coupling stop pin is present. If the pin is missing, do the following:

(i) For C–125, C–145, O–300, IO–360, and TSIO–360 series engines, do the following:

(1) Remove magnetos, alternator or generator, and starter adapter from the accessory case.

(ii) Remove the accessory case from the crankcase and oil sump.

(iii) Visually inspect the entire engine gear train for damaged or broken gears and gear teeth.

(iv) Inspect visible portions of the engine crankcase and accessory case for damage due to the stop pin becoming lodged between the engine gear train and the crankcase or accessory case.

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA amends 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.
(v) If the accessory case is damaged, repair or replace the accessory case.
(vi) If the engine crankcase is damaged, disassemble the engine, and repair or replace the crankcase.
(vii) Inspect the oil pump drive gear teeth and inner cam gear teeth for damage. Replace any engine drive train component that has been damaged.
(viii) Replace any damaged gear, and magnlux the mating gears using the applicable engine overhaul manual.
(2) For LTSIO–520–AE series engines, do the following:
(i) Remove the starter adapter, fuel pump, vacuum pumps, accessory drive pads, and both magneto.
(ii) Visually inspect the entire engine gear train for damaged or broken gears and gear teeth.
(iii) If any damage has occurred, remove the engine from the airplane, disassemble the engine, and inspect it for damage. If any damage is found, repair as necessary.
(iv) Replace any damaged gear, and magnlux the mating gears using the applicable engine overhaul manual.
(v) Inspect the interior portions of the engine crankcase for damage due to the stop pin becoming lodged between the gear train and the crankcase. If the crankcase is damaged, repair or replace the crankcase.

(h) Installation Prohibition
After the effective date of this AD, do not install any Champion Aerospace (formerly Unison Industries) Slick magneto, model 6314, 6324, or 6364 that have an S/N of 99110001 through 99129999, inclusive, on any engine.

(i) Alternative Methods of Compliance
The Manager, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(j) Related Information
(1) A cross-reference for part numbers (P/Ns) for Champion Aerospace (formerly Unison Industries) Slick magneto model 6314 (TCM P/N 653271), model 6324 (TCM P/N 653292), and model 6364 (TCM P/N 649696) can be found in TCM Mandatory Service Bulletin MSB00–6D, dated November 19, 2010.
(2) For more information about this AD, contact Juanita Craft, Aerospace Engineer, Propulsion, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate; 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, Georgia 30337; phone: (404) 474–5584; fax: (404) 474–5606; email: juanita.craft@faa.gov.

(k) Material Incorporated by Reference
None.

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Manager, Engine & Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 97
[Docket No. 30818; Amdt. No. 3457]

Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

DATES: This rule is effective December 20, 2011. The compliance date for each SIAP, associated Takeoff Minimums, and ODP is specified in the amendatory provisions.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of December 20, 2011.

ADDRESS: Availability of matter incorporated by reference in the amendment is as follows:

For examination—
1. FAA Rules Docket, FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591; or
2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located.

The Rule
This amendment to 14 CFR part 97 is effective upon publication of each separate SIAP as amended in the transmittal. For safety and timeliness of change considerations, this amendment incorporates only specific changes contained for each SIAP as modified by FDC/P–NOTAMs. The SIAPs, as modified by FDC/P–NOTAMs, and contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the U.S. Standard for