(l) Credit for Previous Actions

This paragraph provides credit for the actions required by paragraph (g) of this AD, if those actions were performed before the effective date of this AD using the service information identified in Table 1 of this AD, except as required by paragraph (k) of this AD.

(m) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. Information may be mailed to 9-AMN-Seattle-ACO-AMOC-Requests@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/ certification holding district office.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair required by this AD, if it is approved by the Boeing Commercial Airplanes Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) that has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make those findings. For a repair method to be approved, the repair must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

(n) Related Information


(o) Material Incorporated by Reference

You must use Boeing Service Bulletin 747–53A2563, Revision 4, dated May 6, 2010, to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of this service information under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) For service information identified in this AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Data & Services Management, P.O. Box 3707, MC 2H–65, Seattle, Washington 98124–2207; telephone 206–544–5000, extension 1; fax 206–766–5680; email: me.boecom@boeing.com; Internet: https://www.myboeingfleet.com.

(3) You may review copies of the service information at the FAAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, Washington. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 425–227–1221.

(4) 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 Renton, Washington, on February 17, 2012.

Kalene C. Yanamura,
Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39


RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Bombardier, Inc. Model CL–600–2B16 (CL–604 Variant) airplanes. This AD was prompted by reports of the air-driven generator (ADG) failing to provide power during operational/function checks due to wires in the ADG power feeder cables being damaged. The damage was due to galvanic corrosion and inadequate silver-plating. This AD requires replacing ADG power feeder cables. We are issuing this AD to prevent galvanic corrosion on ADG power feeder cables, which could result in damage to the cable and consequently the cable may not be able to provide emergency electrical power to the airplane.

DATES: This AD becomes effective April 10, 2012.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of April 10, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov or in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to include an AD that would apply to the specified products. That NPRM was published in the Federal Register on September 23, 2011 (76 FR 59067). That NPRM proposed to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states:

Three (3) events have occurred where the Air-Driven Generator (ADG) failed to provide power on CL–600–2B19 (CR) aeroplanes during their regularly scheduled operational/functional checks. An investigation revealed that in all cases, the silver-plated copper wires within the ADG power feeder cables were damaged due to galvanic corrosion. It was subsequently determined that the silver-plating is inadequate for this application.

In the event of damage to the power feeder cable wires, the ADG may not be able to provide emergency electrical power to the aeroplane.

Although there have been no reported failures to date on any CL–600–2B16 (604 Variant) aeroplanes, a sampling program carried out on these aeroplanes showed signs of microscopic galvanic corrosion on the ADG power feeder cable wires.

This [Transport Canada] directive is issued to correct this potentially unsafe condition by mandating the replacement of all ADG power feeder cables * * * with an ADG power feeder cable that contains tin-plated copper wires.

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

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. We considered the comment received.

Request To Revise Applicability

Bombardier Aerospace (Bombardier) commented that the aircraft applicability needs to be revised to remove two of the three model designations (Model CL–601–3A and –3R) specified in the NPRM (76 FR 59067, September 23, 2011), because only airplanes of the Model CL–604 Variant are affected by the proposed actions of the NPRM.

We agree to revise the applicability of this AD as requested. The airplane serial numbers specified in Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA) Airworthiness Directive CF–2011–08, dated April 28, 2011 (cited in the NPRM (76 FR 59067, September 23, 2011) as the Canadian mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI)), and Bombardier Service Bulletin 604–24–024, dated January 31, 2011 (cited as the appropriate service information for accomplishing the actions proposed by the NPRM) are all of the Model CL–604...
Variant. We have changed the affected airplanes specified in the applicability in the Summary and in paragraph (c) of this AD accordingly.

Conclusion
We reviewed the available data, including the comment received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting the AD with the change described previously. We determined that this change will not increase the economic burden on any operator or increase the scope of the AD.

Costs of Compliance
We estimate that this AD will affect about 72 products of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it will take about 24 work-hours per product to comply with the basic requirements of this AD. The average labor rate is $85 per work-hour. Required parts will cost about $1,897 per product. Where the service information lists required parts costs that are covered under warranty, we have assumed that there will be no charge for these parts. As we do not control warranty coverage for affected parties, some parties may incur costs higher than estimated here. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of this AD to the U.S. operators to be $283,464, or $3,937 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 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 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); 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.

We prepared a regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this AD and placed it in the AD docket.

Examining the AD Docket
You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov; or in person at the Docket Operations office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains the NPRM (76 FR 59067, September 23, 2011), the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Operations office (telephone (800) 647–5527) is in the ADDRESSES section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

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]

■ 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 adding the following new AD:

(a) Effective Date
This airworthiness directive (AD) becomes effective April 10, 2012.

(b) Affected ADs
None.

(c) Applicability
This AD applies to Bombardier, Inc. Model CL–600–2B16 (CL–604 Variant) airplanes, certificated in any category, serial numbers 5301, 5302, 5305 through 5318 inclusive, 5320 through 5328 inclusive, 5331 through 5349 inclusive, 5351 through 5367 inclusive, 5369 through 5408 inclusive, 5410, 5412 through 5426 inclusive, 5428 through 5438 inclusive, 5440 through 5489 inclusive, 5491 through 5496 inclusive, 5500 through 5517 inclusive, 5519 through 5522 inclusive, and 5524 through 5565 inclusive.

(d) Subject
Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 24: Electrical power.

(e) Reason
This AD was prompted by reports of the air-driven generator (ADG) failing to provide power during operational/function checks due to wires in the ADG power feeder cables being damaged. The damage was due to galvanic corrosion and inadequate silver-plating. We are issuing this AD to prevent galvanic corrosion on ADG power feeder cables, which could result in damage to the cable and consequently the cable may not be able to provide emergency electrical power to the airplane.

(f) Compliance
You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

(g) Actions
Within 72 months after the effective date of this AD, replace the ADG power feeder cable, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Bombardier Service Bulletin 604–24–024, dated January 31, 2011.

(b) Other FAA AD Provisions
The following provisions also apply to this AD:
(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, New York Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), ANE–170, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the ACO, send it to ATTN: Program Manager, Continuing Operational Safety, FAA, New York ACO, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbrook, New York 11590; telephone 516–228–7300; fax 516–794–5531. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/ certificate holding district office. The AMOC approval letter must specifically reference this AD.

(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.

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We are adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Model DHC–8–102, –103, and –106 airplanes and Model DHC–8–200, –300, and –400 series airplanes. This AD was prompted by reports of cracking of the DHC–8 Series 100 rudder actuator mounting bracket. This AD requires modifying the mounting adapters of the power control unit (PCU). We are issuing this AD to prevent loss of both rudder PCU actuators which could result in free play of the rudder control surface and loss of controllability of the airplane.

**DATES:** This AD becomes effective April 10, 2012.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this AD as of April 10, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov or in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cesar Gomez, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe and Mechanical Systems Branch, ANE–171, FAA, New York Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, New York 11590; telephone (516) 228–7318; fax (516) 794–5531.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to include an AD that would apply to the specified products. That NPRM was published in the Federal Register on November 18, 2011 (76 FR 71470). That NPRM proposed to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states:

Several reports have been received regarding cracking of the DHC–8 Series 100 rudder actuator mounting bracket. An investigation revealed that the mounting bracket has been under-designed based on the static and endurance loading conditions. The failure of the mounting brackets that attach the power control unit (PCU) to the airframe could result in a loss of the rudder actuating system. The loss of both rudder PCU actuators could result in free play of the rudder control surface and potentially induce a flutter condition.

This [TCCA] directive mandates the installation of a new design of rudder actuator mounting bracket [adapter].

The unsafe condition is loss of controllability of the airplane. You may obtain further information by examining the MCAI in the AD docket.

**Comments**

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. We considered the comment received. The commenter supports the NPRM (76 FR 71470, November 18, 2011).

**Explanation of Change Made to This AD**

We have revised the heading for and the wording in paragraph (h) of this AD; this change has not changed the intent of that paragraph.

**Conclusion**

We reviewed the available data, including the comment received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting the AD with the change described previously and minor editorial changes. We have determined that these minor changes:

- Are consistent with the intent that was proposed in the NPRM (76 FR 71470, November 18, 2011) for correcting the unsafe condition; and
- Do not add any additional burden upon the public than was already proposed in the NPRM (76 FR 71470, November 18, 2011).

We also determined that these changes will not increase the economic burden on any operator or increase the scope of the AD.

**Costs of Compliance**

We estimate that this AD will affect about 171 products of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it will take up to 10 work-hours per product to comply with the basic requirements of this AD. The average labor rate is $85 per work-hour. Required parts will cost up to $2,856 per product. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of the AD on U.S. operators to be up to $633,726, or $3,706 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.