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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Parts 20 and 61

[NRC-2011-0012; NRC-2015-0003]

RIN 3150-A192

Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule and draft NUREG; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 26, 2015, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requested public comment on a proposed rule that would amend its regulations that govern low-level radioactive waste (LLRW) disposal facilities. The proposed rule would require new and revised site-specific technical analyses, permit the development of site-specific criteria for LLRW acceptance based on the results of those analyses, facilitate implementation, and better align the requirements with current health and safety standards. Also on March 26, 2015, the NRC requested comment on draft guidance to address the implementation of the proposed regulations (NUREG-2175, "Guidance for Conducting Technical Analyses for 10 CFR part 61"). The public comment period for the proposed rule and draft guidance closed on July 24, 2015. The NRC is reopening the public comment periods for the proposed rule and draft guidance to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments.

DATES: The comment periods for the proposed rule published on March 26, 2015 (80 FR 16081), and the draft guidance published on March 26, 2015 (80 FR 15930), have been reopened. Comments should be filed no later than September 21, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The methods for submitting comments on the proposed rule are different from the methods for submitting comments on the draft guidance.

Proposed Rule: You may submit comments on the proposed rule by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2011-0012.

- *Email comments to:* Rulemaking.Comments@nrc.gov. If you do not receive an automatic email reply

confirming receipt, then contact us at (301) 415-1677.

- *Fax comments to:* Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission at (301) 415-1101.

- *Mail comments to:* Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

- *Hand deliver comments to:* 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (Eastern Time) Federal workdays; telephone: (301) 415-1677.

Draft Guidance: You may submit comments on the draft guidance by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2015-0003.

- *Mail comments to:* Cindy Bladey, Office of Administration, Mail Stop: OWFN-12-H08, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: (301) 415-3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see "Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments" in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Comfort, telephone: (301) 415-8106, email: Gary.Comfort@nrc.gov; or Stephen Dembek, telephone: (301) 415-2342, email: Stephen.Dembek@nrc.gov. Both of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2011-0012 (proposed rule) and Docket ID NRC-2015-0003 (draft guidance) when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to the proposed rule and draft guidance by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2011-0012 (proposed rule) or Docket ID NRC-2015-0003 (draft guidance).

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System*

(ADAMS): You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, (301) 415-4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The draft guidance, NUREG-2175, is available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML15056A516.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC-2011-0012 (proposed rule) or Docket ID NRC-2015-0003 (draft guidance) in your comment submission.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at <http://www.regulations.gov> as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Discussion

On March 26, 2015 (80 FR 16081), the NRC requested comment on a proposed rule that would amend its regulations that govern LLRW disposal facilities to require new and revised site-specific technical analyses, to permit the development of site-specific criteria for LLRW acceptance based on the results of those analyses, to facilitate implementation, and to better align the requirements with current health and safety standards. Also on March 26, 2015 (80 FR 15930), the NRC requested comments on draft guidance to address the implementation of the proposed regulations (NUREG-2175, "Guidance for Conducting Technical Analyses for

10 CFR part 61"). The public comment periods for the proposed rule and draft guidance closed on July 24, 2015. The NRC has decided to reopen the public comment periods for the proposed rule and draft guidance until September 21, 2015, to allow more time for members of the public to develop and submit their comments.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of August, 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Annette L. Vietti-Cook,
Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2015-2984; Directorate Identifier 2015-NE-21-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all General Electric Company (GE) GENx-1B54, -1B58, -1B64, -1B67, and -1B70 turbofan engine models. This proposed AD was prompted by reports of two in-flight shutdowns (IFSDs) caused by high-pressure turbine (HPT) rotor stage 1 blade failure. This proposed AD would require inspection and conditional removal of affected HPT rotor stage 1 blades. We are proposing this AD to prevent failure of the HPT rotor stage 1 blades, which could lead to failure of one or more engines, loss of thrust control, and damage to the airplane.

DATES: We must receive comments on this proposed AD by October 26, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, using the procedures found in 14 CFR 11.43 and 11.45, 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: Deliver to Mail address above between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact General Electric Company, GE Aviation, Room 285, 1 Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215; phone: 513-552-3272; email: aviation.fleetsupport@ge.com. You may view this service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7125.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2015-2984; 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 proposed AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Office (phone: 800-647-5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher McGuire, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781-238-7120; fax: 781-238-7199; email: chris.mcguire@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

We invite you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this NPRM. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include "Docket No. FAA-2015-2984; Directorate Identifier 2015-NE-21-AD" at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this NPRM. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this NPRM because of those comments.

We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact we receive about this NPRM.

Discussion

We propose to adopt a new AD for all GE GENx-1B54, -1B58, -1B64, -1B67, and -1B70 turbofan engine models. This proposed AD was prompted by reports of two IFSDs caused by HPT rotor stage 1 blade failure. This proposed AD would require inspection and conditional removal of affected HPT rotor stage 1 blades. This condition, if not corrected, could result in failure of the HPT rotor stage 1 blades, which could lead to failure of one or more engines, loss of thrust control, and damage to the airplane.

Related Service Information

We reviewed GE GENx-1B Service Bulletin (SB) No. 72-0267 R00, dated April 10, 2015. The SB describes procedures for borescope inspection (BSI) of the HPT rotor stage 1 blades.

FAA's Determination

We are proposing this NPRM because we evaluated all the relevant information and determined the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop in other products of the same type design.

Proposed AD Requirements

This NPRM would require initial and repetitive BSI and conditional removal of affected HPT rotor stage 1 blades.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this proposed AD will affect 4 engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry. We also estimate that it will take about 2 hours per engine to comply with this proposed AD. The average labor rate is \$85 per hour. Based on these figures, we estimate the total cost of this proposed AD to U.S. operators to be \$680.

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