

(o) New Requirement of This AD: Parts Installation Limitations

As of the effective date of this AD, no person may install an oxygen container having a part number specified in paragraph (h)(1) of this AD and having a serial number specified in paragraph (m)(1) or (m)(2) of this AD, as applicable, on any airplane, unless the container has been modified in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of any of the service information specified in paragraph (o)(1), (o)(2), or (o)(3) of this AD, as applicable to the oxygen container part number.

(1) Airbus Service Bulletin A320-35A1047, dated March 29, 2011.

(2) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 1XCXX-0100-35-005, Revision 2, dated July 10, 2014.

(3) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 22CXX-0100-35-003, Revision 2, dated July 10, 2014.

(p) Credit for Previous Actions

(1) This paragraph restates the requirements of paragraph (k) of AD 2014-13-12, with no changes. This paragraph provides credit for the actions required by paragraph (h) of this AD, if those actions were performed before September 9, 2014 (the effective date of AD 2014-13-12) using the service information specified in paragraph (p)(1)(i) or (p)(1)(ii) of this AD, as applicable to the oxygen container part number.

(i) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 1XCXX-0100-35-005, dated March 14, 2011, which is not incorporated by reference in this AD.

(ii) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 22CXX-0100-35-003, dated March 17, 2011, which is not incorporated by reference in this AD.

(2) This paragraph provides credit for the actions required by paragraphs (l)(3) and (o) of this AD, if those actions were performed before the effective date of this AD using the service information specified in paragraph (p)(2)(i) or (p)(2)(ii) of this AD, as applicable to the oxygen container part number.

(i) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 1XCXX-0100-35-005, Revision 1, dated December 15, 2012, which was incorporated by reference in AD 2014-13-12.

(ii) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 22CXX-0100-35-003, Revision 1, dated December 20, 2011, which was incorporated by reference in AD 2014-13-12.

(q) Other FAA AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)*: The Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, 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 International Branch, send it to ATTN: Sanjay Ralhan, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356;

telephone 425-227-1405; fax 425-227-1149. Information may be emailed to: 9-ANM-116-AMOC-REQUESTS@faa.gov.

(i) 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.

(ii) AMOCs approved previously for AD 2014-13-12, are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding provisions of paragraphs (g) through (j) of this AD.

(2) *Contacting the Manufacturer*: As of the effective date of this AD, for any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer, the action must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA; or EASA; or Airbus's EASA DOA. If approved by the DOA, the approval must include the DOA-authorized signature.

(r) Related Information

(1) Refer to Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information (MCAI) EASA Airworthiness Directive 2014-0208, dated September 16, 2014, for related information. This MCAI may be found in the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2016-4228.

(2) Service information identified in this AD that is not incorporated by reference is available at the addresses specified in paragraphs (s)(5), (s)(6), and (s)(7) of this AD.

(s) Material Incorporated by Reference

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

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following service information was approved for IBR on January 20, 2017.

(i) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 1XCXX-0100-35-005, Revision 2, dated July 10, 2014.

(ii) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 22CXX-0100-35-003, Revision 2, dated July 10, 2014.

(4) The following service information was approved for IBR on September 9, 2014 (79 FR 45317, August 5, 2014).

(i) Airbus Service Bulletin A320-35A1047, dated March 29, 2011.

(ii) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 1XCXX-0100-35-005, Revision 1, dated December 15, 2012.

(iii) B/E Aerospace Service Bulletin 22CXX-0100-35-003, Revision 1, dated December 20, 2011.

(5) For Airbus service information identified in this AD, contact Airbus service information identified in this AD, contact Airbus, Airworthiness Office—EIAS, 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France; telephone +33 5 61 93 36 96; fax +33 5 61 93 44 51; email account.airworth-eas@airbus.com; Internet <http://www.airbus.com>.

(6) For B/E Aerospace service information identified in this AD, contact BE Aerospace Systems GmbH, Revalstrasse 1, 23560 Lübeck, Germany; telephone (49) 451 4093-2976; fax (49) 451 4093-4488.

(7) You may view this service information at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 425-227-1221.

(8) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

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

[Docket No. FAA-2016-7099; Directorate Identifier 2016-NE-15-AD; Amendment 39-18737; AD 2016-25-11]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain International Aero Engines AG (IAE) V2522-A5, V2524-A5, V2527-A5, V2527E-A5, V2527M-A5, V2530-A5, V2533-A5, V2525-D5, V2528-D5, and V2531-E5 turbofan engines. This AD was prompted by nine in-flight shutdowns (IFSDs) that resulted from premature failure of the No. 3 bearing. This AD requires inspections and corrective actions for bearing damage. This AD also requires removal of the No. 3 bearing from service at the next engine shop visit. We are issuing this AD to correct the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: This AD is effective January 20, 2017.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of January 20, 2017.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this final rule, contact International Aero Engines AG, 400

Main Street, East Hartford, CT 06118; phone: 860-565-0140; email: help24@pw.utc.com; Internet: <http://fleetcare.pw.utc.com>.

You may view this referenced service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7125. It is also available on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2016-7099.

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-2016-7099; 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:

Brian Kierstead, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781-238-7772; fax: 781-238-7199; email: brian.kierstead@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

We issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would apply to certain IAE V2522-A5, V2524-A5, V2527-A5, V2527E-A5, V2527M-A5, V2530-A5, V2533-A5, V2525-D5, V2528-D5, and V2531-E5 turbofan engines. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on July 21, 2016 (81 FR 47313). The NPRM was prompted by nine IFSDs resulting from premature failure of the No. 3 bearing. This condition, if not corrected, could result in failure of the No. 3 bearing, failure of one or more engines, loss of thrust control, and loss of the airplane. The NPRM proposed to require removal of the No. 3 bearing from service at the next engine shop visit. We are issuing this AD to prevent failure of the No. 3 bearing, failure of one or more engines, loss of thrust control, and loss of the airplane.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to participate in developing this AD. The following presents the comments received on the NPRM and the FAA's response to each comment. Boeing supported the NPRM.

Request To Add Terminating Action

MTU Maintenance Hanover GmbH (MTU) requested that IAE Non Modification Service Bulletin (NMSB) V2500-ENG-72-0673, dated June 3, 2016, be added as a terminating action in this AD. MTU also requested IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673 be included in credit for previous action. They reason that following the issue of IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, dated March 22, 2016, IAE released IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673, which recommends removal of No. 3 bearing serial numbers (S/Ns) identical to those listed in IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671.

We partially agree. We agree that the removal of the suspect bearing in accordance with IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673, dated June 3, 2016 would accomplish both the (e)(3) compliance and (f) terminating action requirements of this AD because both IAE service documents reference identical bearing S/Ns.

We disagree that including IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673 as a terminating action or listing as credit for previous action is necessary since replacement of a bearing S/N per IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673, dated June 3, 2016, makes the engine no longer applicable to the AD. We did not change this AD.

Request To Remove Certain Engine Models From Applicability

IAE and MTU request engine models V2525-D5, V2528-D5, and V2531-E5 be removed from the applicability section of this AD. IAE states that the suspect No. 3 bearings referenced by this AD have all been installed in A5 series engines as specified in IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, dated March 22, 2016 and requests alignment with the service instructions in order to provide consistency between the IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671 and this AD. MTU reasons that the IAE NMSBs V2500-ENG-72-0671 and V2500-ENG-72-0673 do not list V2525-D5, V2528-D5, and V2531-E5 engine models, therefore, this AD should not be applicable to these models.

We disagree. The applicability section of this AD identifies all V2500 engine models of the same type design where the suspect bearing could be installed. This AD further refines the applicability

section with identification of specific No. 3 bearing S/Ns listed in IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, Appendix 1, dated March 22, 2016. We did not change this AD.

Request To Identify Applicability by Either Engine S/N or Bearing S/N

Cathay Pacific Airways (CPA) requests the applicability section be revised to identify either the engine S/N or the No. 3 bearing S/N listed in IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, dated March 22, 2016. CPA suggests that operators might identify engine applicability based on the No. 3 bearing S/N or the engine S/N, as both are listed in IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, Appendix 1, dated March 22, 2016.

We disagree. Determining applicability by engine S/N in lieu of the No. 3 bearing S/N is not adequate, as the suspect bearing may have been reinstalled in another engine. We did not change this AD.

Conclusion

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

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

We reviewed IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0671, dated March 22, 2016. The NMSB describes procedures for inspecting the MMCD and further actions if metallic debris is found. This service information is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in the ADDRESSES section.

Other Related Service Information

We reviewed IAE NMSB V2500-ENG-72-0673, dated June 3, 2016. The NMSB describes procedures for removal and replacement of the No. 3 bearing.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this AD affects 11 engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry. We estimate that it would take about 1 hour to perform the inspection. The average labor rate is \$85 per hour. We estimate the cost to replace a No. 3 bearing to be \$54,510. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of this AD on U.S. operators to be \$600,545.

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

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

- 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 airworthiness directive (AD):

2016–25–11 International Aero Engines AG: Amendment 39–18737; Docket No. FAA–2016–7099; Directorate Identifier 2016–NE–15–AD.

(a) Effective Date

This AD is effective January 20, 2017.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to International Aero Engines AG (IAE) V2522–A5, V2524–A5, V2527–A5, V2527E–A5, V2527M–A5, V2530–A5, V2533–A5, V2525–D5, V2528–D5, and V2531–E5 turbofan engines with No. 3 bearing serial numbers (S/Ns) listed in Appendix 1 of IAE Non-Modification Service Bulletin (NMSB) V2500–ENG–72–0671, dated March 22, 2016.

(d) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by several in-flight shutdowns that resulted from premature failure of the No. 3 bearing. We are issuing this AD to correct the unsafe condition on these products.

(e) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(1) Prior to accumulating 125 flight hours (FH) after the effective date of this AD, inspect the master magnetic chip detector (MMCD) for metallic debris. If no metallic debris is found during the MMCD inspection, repeat the inspection within every 125 FH.

(2) If metallic debris is found during the MMCD inspection, evaluate the debris using paragraph 2.B. of the Accomplishment Instructions in IAE NMSB V2500–ENG–72–0671, dated March 22, 2016. Perform additional inspections or remove the engine from service in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions in IAE NMSB V2500–ENG–72–0671.

(3) Remove the No. 3 bearing from service at the next engine shop visit and replace it with a bearing part/serial number combination not listed in Appendix 1 of IAE NMSB V2500–ENG–72–0671, dated March 22, 2016.

(f) Mandatory Terminating Action

Removal of the No. 3 bearing from service at the next engine shop visit and replacement with a bearing not listed in Appendix 1 of IAE NMSB V2500–ENG–72–0671, dated March 22, 2016, is terminating action to this AD.

(g) Definition

For the purpose of this AD, an "engine shop visit" is the induction of an engine into the shop for maintenance involving the separation of pairs of major mating engine flanges, except that the separation of engine flanges solely for the purposes of transportation without subsequent engine maintenance does not constitute an engine shop visit.

(h) 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. You may email your request to: ANE-AD-AMOC@faa.gov.

(i) Related Information

(1) For more information about this AD, contact Brian Kierstead, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781–238–7772; fax: 781–238–7199; email: brian.kierstead@faa.gov.

(2) IAE NMSB V2500–ENG–72–0673, dated June 3, 2016, can be obtained from IAE using the contact information in paragraph (j)(3) of this AD.

(j) Material Incorporated by Reference

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

(2) You must use this service information as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(i) International Aero Engines AG (IAE) Non-Modification Service Bulletin V2500–ENG–72–0671, dated March 22, 2016.

(ii) Reserved.

(3) For IAE service information identified in this AD, contact International Aero Engines AG, 400 Main Street, East Hartford, CT 06118; phone: 860–565–0140; email: help24@pw.utc.com; Internet: <http://fleetcare.pw.utc.com>.

(4) You may view this service information at FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781–238–7125.

(5) You may view this service information that is incorporated by reference at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202–741–6030, or go to: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

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RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; request for comments.