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In the OCC's portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section titled "Regulatory Flexibility Act Analysis" of the proposed rule, "Regulatory Capital Treatment for High Volatility Commercial Real Estate (HVCRE) Exposures," the OCC stated that the proposal likely would impact a substantial number of small entities. However, the OCC determined that the impact of the proposal would not be economically significant. Therefore, the OCC certified, for the purpose of the RFA, that the proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of OCC-supervised small entities.

The United States Small Business Administration, which monitors compliance with the RFA, has asked the OCC to provide additional detail to support its certification. Therefore, the OCC is revising the administrative record to include additional information.

Correction

In the third column on page 48996 and the first column on page 48997, revise the section following "B. Regulatory Flexibility Act Analysis" to read as follows:

"OCC: The Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, (RFA), requires an agency, in connection with a notice of proposed rulemaking, to prepare a Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis describing the impact of the proposed rule on small entities (defined by the Small Business Administration (SBA) for purposes of the RFA to include banking entities with total assets of \$550 million or less) or to certify that the proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

As of June 30, 2018, the OCC supervised 886 small entities.¹ Currently, 211 small OCC-supervised institutions hold high volatility commercial real estate (HVCRE) exposures and thus will be directly impacted by the proposed rule. Therefore, the proposed rule potentially

affects a substantial number of small entities.

The proposed rule would impact two principal areas: (1) The impact associated with implementing revisions to the capital rule to make the definition of an HVCRE exposure consistent with the new statutory definition and, (2) the impact associated with the time required to update policies and procedures and to re-evaluate HVCRE loan portfolios.

As described in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section in the preamble to this proposed rule, the OCC believes the change to the definition of HVCRE exposure would result in fewer loans being deemed HVCRE exposures. Therefore, the amount of capital required would decrease for impacted OCC-supervised entities.

Further, the OCC believes no currently reported non-HVCRE acquisition, development, or construction (ADC) exposures would be reclassified as HVCRE exposures, and thus there would be no additional compliance burden to OCC-supervised entities for the non-HVCRE component of their ADC portfolios. The proposed rule would not require OCC-supervised entities to amend previously filed reports as OCC-supervised entities adjust their estimates of existing HVCRE exposures. This would serve to minimize the compliance burden for OCC-supervised entities.

Compliance burdens that OCC-supervised entities may face could include: (1) Updating policies and procedures to classify newly issued HVCRE loans; and (2) time spent re-evaluating existing HVCRE exposures in order to determine if any are eligible to be reclassified and thus receive a lower risk-weight of 100 percent. Based on the OCC's supervisory experience, OCC staff estimates that it would take an OCC-supervised institution, on average, a one-time investment of one business week, or 40 hours, to update policies and procedures and to re-evaluate their HVCRE exposures for loans originated after January 1, 2015.

The OCC's threshold for a significant effect is whether cost increases associated with a proposed rule are greater than or equal to either 5 percent of a small bank's total annual salaries and benefits or 2.5 percent of a small bank's total non-interest expense. The estimated compliance costs of \$4,680 per institution (40 hours × \$117 per hour)² would not exceed either of these

thresholds for a significant impact on any of the 886 OCC-supervised small entities.

For this reason, the OCC certifies that the proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of OCC-supervised small entities."

Dated: December 18, 2018.

William A. Rowe,
Chief Risk Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2016-8501; Product Identifier 2014-SW-042-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Helicopters

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPRM); reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are revising an earlier proposal for Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation (Sikorsky) Model S-92A helicopters. This action revises the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) by increasing the estimated costs of compliance and removing the daily inspection requirements. We are proposing this airworthiness directive (AD) to address the unsafe condition on these products. Since these actions would impose an additional economic burden over that proposed in the NPRM, we are reopening the comment period to allow the public the chance to comment on this change.

DATES: The comment period for the NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on July 15, 2016 (81 FR 46002), is reopened.

We must receive comments on this SNPRM by February 11, 2019.

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.

522100). To estimate compensation costs associated with the rule, we use \$117 per hour, which is based on the average of the 90th percentile for seven occupations adjusted for inflation, plus an additional 34.2 percent to cover private sector benefits.

¹ The OCC calculated the number of small entities using the SBA's size thresholds for commercial banks and savings institutions, and trust companies, which are \$550 million and \$38.5 million, respectively. Consistent with the General Principles of Affiliation, 13 CFR 121.103(a), the OCC counted the assets of affiliated financial institutions when determining whether to classify a national bank or Federal savings association as a small entity.

² To estimate average hourly wages we review data from May 2017 for wages (by industry and occupation) from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) for depository credit intermediation (NAICS

- *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.

For service information identified in this SNPRM, contact Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation, Customer Service Engineering, 124 Quarry Road, Trumbull, CT 06611; telephone 1-800-Winged-S or 203-416-4299; email: wcs_cust_service_eng_gr-sik@lmco.com. You may view this service information at the FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 10101 Hillwood Pkwy., Room 6N-321, Fort Worth, TX 76177.

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-2016-8501; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this SNPRM, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations (phone: 800-647-5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kristopher Greer, Aviation Safety Engineer, Boston ACO Branch, Compliance and Airworthiness Division, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803; telephone (781) 238-7799; email Kristopher.Greer@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

We invite you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include "Docket No. FAA-2016-8501; Product Identifier 2014-SW-042-AD" at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this SNPRM. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this SNPRM 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 SNPRM.

Discussion

We issued an NPRM to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would apply to Sikorsky Model S-92A helicopters with certain part-numbered frame assemblies installed. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on July 15, 2016 (81 FR 46002). The NPRM was prompted by fatigue analysis indicating the possible development of stress concentrations at the steel doublers on the main transmission airframe support structure top deck, as well as the discovery of a helicopter with a crack in the STA 362 frame and skin. The NPRM proposed to require inspecting the main transmission forward and aft frame assemblies and adjacent skins for a crack and loose fasteners and replacing or repairing any cracked part or loose fastener. The NPRM also proposed to require establishing life limits for certain frame assemblies. The proposed requirements were intended to detect a crack in a frame assembly and prevent failure of a frame and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

Actions Since the NPRM Was Issued

Since we issued the NPRM, we have revised the number of work-hours to replace the aircraft frames based upon the comments we received. This resulted in an overall increase in the cost of complying with the proposed AD. Since the economic burden is higher than that in the NPRM, we are reopening the comment period to allow the public the chance to comment on this new estimate.

Comments

We gave the public the opportunity to comment on the NPRM. After our NPRM was published, we received the following comments from Sikorsky.

Request To Require Modification of the Frame Assembly

Sikorsky requested that the AD require altering the transmission support frames in accordance with Sikorsky S-92 Alert Service Bulletin 92-53-012, Basic Issue, dated February 10, 2014 (ASB 92-53-012), and Sikorsky Special Service Instructions No. 92-074-E, Revision E, dated April 9, 2014 (SSI 92-074-E). In support of its request, Sikorsky stated this modification largely improves the fatigue capability of the transmission support frames. Sikorsky also requested

updating language in the preamble to reflect requiring the modification.

We disagree. We determined that the alterations to the transmission support frames are not required to correct the unsafe condition.

Request To Remove the Daily Inspection

Sikorsky requested that we remove the daily repetitive inspection requirement from the proposed AD. In support of this request, Sikorsky stated that the proposed AD's requirement to perform this same inspection every 150 hours time-in-service (TIS) would maintain the safety of the aircraft. Sikorsky further stated structural analysis reports substantiate the 150-hour inspection interval.

We agree that the daily inspection requirement is not necessary to maintain the fleet's airworthiness. After reviewing data from Sikorsky's organization designation authorization supporting its life limit and continuing airworthiness projects, we determined that repeating the inspections every 150 hours would be adequate to detect and prevent an unsafe condition.

Request That the AD Reference the Maintenance Manual

Sikorsky requested that the proposed AD reference the main transmission support structure inspection task in the Sikorsky maintenance manual for the 150-hour repetitive inspection. In support of this request, Sikorsky stated this task provides a complete, detailed procedure for the inspection requirements.

We agree. We have revised the proposed AD to reference the task card as guidance for the 150-hour inspection.

Request To Delay Issuance of the Proposed AD

Sikorsky requested that we delay issuing this proposed AD until after Sikorsky completes a project to increase the life limits of the forward STA 382 and aft STA 362 frame assemblies.

We disagree. Because this unsafe condition could exist or develop on Sikorsky Model S-92A helicopters, the proposed actions are necessary to ensure safety of the U.S. fleet. Issuance of an AD is the appropriate method to correct the unsafe condition. Should completion of Sikorsky's certification project result in a corrective action that removes the unsafe condition, we might consider further rulemaking action.

Request To Correct Part Numbers

Sikorsky requested that we correct two part numbers in Table 4 of the Required Actions. Specifically, Sikorsky

stated part number “92070–02108–042” should be “92209–02108–042” and part number “92080–02108–103” should be “92209–02108–103.”

We agree. We have revised the table accordingly.

Request To Add Serial Numbers to the Applicability

Sikorsky requested that the proposed life limits only apply to helicopters with serial numbers 920006 through 920243. In support of this request, Sikorsky advised that starting with serial number 920244, helicopters were manufactured with an upgraded titanium frame configuration that is not affected by the proposed AD.

We disagree. While production helicopters starting with serial number 920244 may not currently have the parts that are subject to the unsafe condition installed, operators are not required to maintain that configuration. Omitting the serial numbers allows the proposed AD to apply to any Model S–92A helicopter if a frame subject to the unsafe condition is later installed.

Request To Clarify Language Regarding Life Limit of Altered Parts

Sikorsky requested that we clarify the wording of the 28,500-hour life limit for parts that are altered and changed to a new part number. Specifically, Sikorsky requested that we change “28,500 hours TIS total (regardless of P/N)” to “28,500 hours TIS total from the original frame part number initial service date.”

We disagree. The language in the proposed AD clearly states that this life limit applies regardless of whether the frame assembly part number changes.

Request To Revise the Compliance Cost

Sikorsky requested that we revise the estimated costs of complying with the proposed AD. Specifically, Sikorsky advised that the number of hours to replace a frame has increased from 3,360 to 5,000, while the number of affected helicopters on the U.S. registry has decreased from 80 to 50.

We agree. We have revised the Costs of Compliance section accordingly.

Request To Revise Summary

Sikorsky requested that we change the last sentence in **SUMMARY**, which identifies the unsafe condition, to be consistent with the language in the Unsafe Condition paragraph.

We agree that Sikorsky’s proposal provides more consistency. However, due to Administrative Committee of the Federal Register publishing requirements, the specific unsafe condition is no longer stated in

SUMMARY. Thus, no change to this SNPRM is necessary.

Request To Update Contact Information

Sikorsky requested that we update the email address for its Customer Service Engineering in both the preamble and the proposed AD.

We agree and have made the requested changes.

Request To Clarify the Related Service Information Section

Sikorsky requested that we revise the language in the Related Service Information section describing the actions in ASB 92–53–012 and SSI 92–074–E. Specifically, Sikorsky requests that we change “replacing the fasteners” to “removing steel doublers, cold-working holes, oversizing holes, trimming skin panels and reassembly with interference fit fasteners.” In support, Sikorsky stated the recommended language would provide clarification.

We agree. We have made the requested changes accordingly.

Request To Clarify the Differences Section

Sikorsky requested that we clarify the Differences Between This Proposed AD and the Service Information section. Specifically, Sikorsky recommended adding “by this AD” to the sentence: “Contacting Sikorsky would not be required.”

We agree. We have revised the proposed AD accordingly.

Related Service Information

Sikorsky issued S–92 Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) 92–53–008, Basic Issue, dated June 13, 2012 (ASB 92–53–008); S–92 ASB 92–53–009, Basic Issue, dated December 6, 2012 (ASB 92–53–009); and ASB 92–53–012. ASB 92–53–008 provides procedures for a one-time inspection of the main transmission frames and beams for a crack, missing or loose fastener or collar, damage, deformation, and corrosion. ASB 92–53–009 specifies an inspection before the first flight of the day and a recurring 150-hour inspection of the interior and exterior surfaces of the upper flanges and beams. ASB 92–53–012 specifies altering the forward and aft transmission support frames by removing steel doublers, cold-working the holes, oversizing the holes, trimming skin panels and reassembling the parts with interference fit fasteners in accordance with SSI 92–074–E. After this alteration, the parts are re-identified with a new part number. Sikorsky refers to this alteration as a service life extension program modification.

FAA’s Determination

We are proposing this AD because we evaluated all the relevant information and determined the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop in other products of these same type designs. Certain changes described above expand the scope of the NPRM. As a result, we have determined that it is necessary to reopen the comment period to provide additional opportunity for the public to comment on this SNPRM.

Proposed Requirements of This SNPRM

This SNPRM would establish a life limit for certain part-numbered frame assemblies by removing from service any part that has reached or exceeded its new life limit. Frame assemblies that are altered under Sikorsky’s service life extension program and re-identified with a new part number must be removed from service upon accumulating the life limit of the old part-number or within certain hours TIS since the alteration, whichever occurs first.

This SNPRM also would require, within 150 hours TIS and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 150 hours TIS, inspecting STA 328 frame and STA 362 frame for a crack or loose fasteners. If there is a crack or loose fastener, this SNPRM would require repairing or replacing any cracked part and any loose fastener before further flight.

Differences Between This SNPRM and the Service Information

The service information requires providing certain information to Sikorsky, and this proposed AD would not. The service information specifies performing a fluorescent penetrant inspection if there is a suspected crack and contacting Sikorsky if there is a crack, while this proposed AD would only require repairing or replacing any cracked part. Contacting Sikorsky would not be required by this proposed AD.

Costs of Compliance

We estimate that this proposed AD would affect 50 helicopters of U.S. Registry. We estimate that operators may incur the following costs to comply with this proposed AD. Labor costs are estimated at \$85 per work-hour. We estimate a minimal cost to establish and revise the life limit of the frame assembly. We estimate it would take 1 work-hour to inspect STA 328 and 362 frames. No parts would be needed for a total cost of \$4,250 for the fleet for each inspection per inspection cycle. If a fastener is replaced, we estimate the cost to be minimal. If a frame is replaced, it would take 5,000 work-

hours and required parts would cost \$296,000 for a total cost of \$721,000 per helicopter.

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),
- (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.

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 adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):

Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Helicopters:
Docket No. FAA-2016-8501; Product Identifier 2014-SW-042-AD.

(a) Applicability

This AD applies to Model S-92A helicopters, certificated in any category, with a forward station (STA) 328 or aft STA 362 frame assembly with a part number (P/N) as shown in Table 1 to paragraph (e)(1), Table 2 to paragraph (e)(1), Table 3 to paragraph (e)(2), or Table 4 to paragraph (e)(2) of this AD.

(b) Unsafe Condition

This AD defines the unsafe condition as a crack in a main transmission airframe support structure. This condition could result in failure of a main transmission frame and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

(c) Comments Due Date

We must receive comments by February 11, 2019.

(d) Compliance

You are responsible for performing each action required by this AD within the specified compliance time unless it has already been accomplished prior to that time.

(e) Required Actions

(1) For helicopters with a frame assembly with a P/N shown in Table 1 to paragraph (e)(1) or Table 2 to paragraph (e)(1) of this AD, before further flight, remove from service any part that has reached or exceeded its new life limit. Forward STA 328 frame assemblies that are altered and changed to P/N 92070-20124-064, 92070-20124-067, 92070-20127-045, 92070-20124-065, 92070-20124-047, or 92070-20127-046 must be removed from service upon accumulating 12,000 hours TIS from the alteration or 28,500 hours TIS total (regardless of P/N) from the total original frame part number initial service date, whichever occurs first.

Forward STA 328 Frame Assembly P/N	Life Limit Hours TIS
92070-20124-064	12,000
92070-20124-067	12,000
92070-20127-045	12,000
92070-20124-065	12,000
92070-20124-047	12,000
92070-20127-046	12,000
92070-20124-063	12,000
92070-20124-066	12,000
92070-20127-041	12,000
Aft STA 362 Frame Assembly P/N	Life Limit Hours TIS
92070-20124-041	10,400
92070-20124-044	10,400
92070-20127-042	10,400
92070-20124-042	10,400
92070-20124-045	10,400
92070-20127-049	10,400
92070-20124-043	10,400
92070-20124-046	10,400
92070-20127-050	10,400
92070-20141-050	17,000
92070-20141-051	17,000
92070-20141-052	17,000

Table 1 to Paragraph (e)(1)

Forward STA 328 Frame Assembly P/N	Life Limit Hours TIS
92070-20097-058	28,500
92080-20047-047	28,500
92070-20097-060	28,500
92080-20047-048	28,500

Table 2 to Paragraph (e)(1)

(2) For each frame assembly listed in Table 1 to paragraph (e)(1) or Table 4 to paragraph (e)(2) of this AD with 1,801 or more hours TIS, and for each frame assembly listed in Table 2 to paragraph (e)(1) or Table 3 to paragraph (e)(2) of this AD with 1,301 or more hours TIS, within 150 hours TIS and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 150 hours TIS, do the following inspections. For guidance on performing these inspections,

refer to Sikorsky S-92A-AMM-000 Maintenance Manual Chapter 53-20-00, Task 53-20-00-210-003, dated January 31, 2018:

(i) Inspect the STA 328 frame and STA 362 frame between the left and right butt line (BL) 16.5 beams and inspect the area on the left and right BL 16.5 beams six inches on either side of the mounting pads for a crack and loose fasteners. If there is a loose fastener

or a crack, repair or replace any cracked part and any loose fastener before further flight.

(ii) Inspect the STA 328 and STA 362 outboard frames, left and right sides, from the BL 16.5 beam to water line 252.25 for a crack and loose fasteners. If there is a loose fastener or a crack, repair or replace any cracked part and any loose fastener before further flight.

Forward STA 328 Frame Assembly P/N	Aft STA 362 Frame Assembly P/N
92209-02106-042	92070-20097-062
92209-02106-043	92080-20047-051
92070-20097-041	92209-02109-043
92080-20047-041	92209-02109-044
	92070-20097-042
	92080-20047-042
	92070-20097-064
	92080-20047-052

Table 3 to Paragraph (e)(2)

Fwd STA 328 Frame Assembly P/N	Aft STA 362 Frame Assembly P/N
92209-02107-042	92209-02108-042
92209-02107-103	92209-02108-103

Table 4 to Paragraph (e)(2)

(f) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, Boston ACO Branch, FAA, may approve AMOCs for this AD. Send your proposal to: Kristopher Greer, Aviation Safety Engineer, Boston ACO Branch, Compliance and Airworthiness Division, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803; telephone (781) 238-7799; email Kristopher.Greer@faa.gov.

(2) For operations conducted under a 14 CFR part 119 operating certificate or under 14 CFR part 91, subpart K, we suggest that you notify your principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office or certificate holding district office before operating any aircraft complying with this AD through an AMOC.

(g) Additional Information

Sikorsky S-92 Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) 92-53-008, Basic Issue, dated June 13, 2012; ASB 92-53-009, Basic Issue, dated December 6, 2012; ASB 92-53-012, Basic Issue, dated February 10, 2014, and Sikorsky Special Service Instructions No. 92-074-E, Revision E, dated April 9, 2014, and Sikorsky S-92A-AMM-000 Maintenance Manual, Chapter 53-20-00, Task 53-20-210-003, dated January 31, 2018, which are not incorporated by reference, contain additional information about the subject of this AD. For service information identified in this AD, contact Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation, Customer Service Engineering, 124 Quarry Road, Trumbull, CT 06611; telephone 1-800-Winged-S or 203-416-4299; email wcs_cust_service_eng.gr-sik@lmco.com. You may view this information at the FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 10101 Hillwood Pkwy., Room 6N-321, Fort Worth, TX 76177.

(h) Subject

Joint Aircraft System Component (JASC)
Code: 5311 Fuselage Main, Frame.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on December 13, 2018.

Lance T. Gant,

Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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

[Docket No. FAA-2018-1011; Product Identifier 2018-NM-131-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all The Boeing Company Model 767-200, -300, -300F, and -400ER series airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by reports of uncommanded movements of the Captain's and First Officer's seats. This proposed AD would require an identification of the part number, and if applicable the serial number, of the Captain's and First Officer's seats, and applicable on-condition actions. This proposed AD would also require a one-time detailed inspection and repetitive checks of the horizontal movement system of the Captain's and First

Officer's seats, and applicable on-condition actions. This proposed AD would also provide an optional terminating action for the repetitive checks of the horizontal movement system for certain airplanes. We are proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: We must receive comments on this proposed AD by February 11, 2019.

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 NPRM, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Contractual & Data Services (C&DS), 2600 Westminister Blvd., MC 110-SK57, Seal Beach, CA 90740-5600; telephone 562-797-1717; internet <https://www.myboeingfleet.com>. You may view this referenced service information at the FAA, Transport Standards Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195. It is also available on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching