

the ability to accomplish the actions required by this AD. Therefore, for airplanes on which STC ST01219SE is installed, a “change in product” alternative method of compliance (AMOC) approval request is not necessary to comply with the requirements of 14 CFR 39.17.

(d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 53, Fuselage.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by reports of cracks in the frames below the passenger floor. The FAA is issuing this AD to address cracks that could propagate until the frame severs. Continued operation of the airplane with multiple adjacent severed frames, or the combination of a severed frame adjacent to fuselage skin chem-mill cracks, could result in an uncontrolled decompression and loss of structural integrity of the airplane.

(f) Compliance

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

(g) Required Actions for Group 1 Airplanes

For airplanes identified as Group 1 in BASB 737–53A1362: Within 120 days after the effective date of this AD, accomplish actions to correct the unsafe condition (*e.g.*, inspections and on-condition actions) using a method approved in accordance with the procedures specified in paragraph (k) of this AD.

(h) Required Actions for Group 2 Through 20 Airplanes

For airplanes identified as Group 2 through 20 in BASB 737–53A1362: Except as specified in paragraph (i) of this AD, at the applicable times specified in paragraph 1.E., “Compliance,” of BASB 737–53A1362, do all applicable actions identified as “RC” (required for compliance) in, and in accordance with, the Accomplishment Instructions of BASB 737–53A1362.

(i) Optional Terminating Action for Certain Repetitive Inspections

For airplanes identified as Group 2 through 20 in BASB 737–53A1362, accomplishment of part 13, “Preventive Modification of the Frame Web Tooling Hole and Insulation Attachment Hole in the Section 46 Lower Lobe Frame,” in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of BASB 737–53A1362, terminates the repetitive open hole high frequency eddy current inspections required by paragraph (h) of this AD, for the modified tooling hole or insulation attachment hole location only.

(j) Exceptions to Service Information Specifications

(1) For purposes of determining compliance with the requirements of this AD: Where BASB 737–53A1362 uses the phrase “the original issue date of this service bulletin,” this AD requires using “the effective date of this AD,” except where BASB 737–53A1362 uses the phrase “the original issue date of this service bulletin” in a note or flag note.

(2) Where BASB 737–53A1362 specifies contacting Boeing for repair instructions or alternative inspections: This AD requires doing the repair, or doing the alternative inspections and applicable on-condition actions, using a method approved in accordance with the procedures specified in paragraph (k) of this AD.

(k) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, Los Angeles ACO Branch, 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 manager of the certification office, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (l) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: *9-ANM-LAACO-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/certificate holding district office.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair, modification, or alteration required by this AD if it is approved by The Boeing Company Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) that has been authorized by the Manager, Los Angeles ACO Branch, FAA, to make those findings. To be approved, the repair method, modification deviation, or alteration deviation must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

(4) Except as required by paragraph (j)(2) of this AD: For service information that contains steps that are labeled as Required for Compliance (RC), the provisions of paragraphs (k)(4)(i) and (k)(4)(ii) of this AD apply.

(i) The steps labeled as RC, including substeps under an RC step and any figures identified in an RC step, must be done to comply with the AD. If a step or substep is labeled “RC Exempt,” then the RC requirement is removed from that step or substep. An AMOC is required for any deviations to RC steps, including substeps and identified figures.

(ii) Steps not labeled as RC may be deviated from using accepted methods in accordance with the operator’s maintenance or inspection program without obtaining approval of an AMOC, provided the RC steps, including substeps and identified figures, can still be done as specified, and the airplane can be put back in an airworthy condition.

(l) Related Information

For more information about this AD, contact George Garrido, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe Section, FAA, Los Angeles ACO Branch, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712–4137; phone: 562–627–5232; fax: 562–627–5210; email: *george.garrido@faa.gov*.

(m) 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) Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 737–53A1362, dated September 20, 2018.

(ii) [Reserved]

(3) For service information identified in this AD, 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*.

(4) You may view this 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.

(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*.

Issued in Des Moines, Washington, on July 30, 2019.

Michael Kaszycki,

Acting Director, System Oversight Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA–2019–0465; Product Identifier 2018–NE–19–AD; Amendment 39–19707; AD 2019–16–04]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Engine Alliance Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FAA is superseding Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2019–03–04 for all Engine Alliance (EA) GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines with a certain engine 1st-stage low-pressure compressor (LPC) rotor assembly, referred to after this as the “engine fan hub assembly,” installed. AD 2019–03–04 required a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly for damage, a one-time eddy current inspection (ECI) of the fan hub blade slot bottom and blade slot front edge for cracks, and removal of parts if damage or defects are found. For certain GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan

engines, this AD continues to require a one-time ECI of the engine fan hub blade slot bottom and blade slot front edge for cracks and a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly for damage. For all GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, this AD also requires an independent inspection of the engine fan hub assembly prior to reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly. For certain serial-numbered GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, this AD requires replacement of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly. This AD was prompted by an uncontained failure of the engine fan hub. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: This AD is effective August 30, 2019.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of August 30, 2019.

The FAA must receive any comments on this AD by September 30, 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:* 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 final rule, contact Engine Alliance, 411 Silver Lane, East Hartford, CT 06118; phone: 800-565-0140; email: help24@pw.utc.com; website: www.engineallianceportal.com. You may view this service information at the FAA, Engine and Propeller Standards Branch, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7759. It is also available on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2019-0465.

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-2019-0465; 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 final rule, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Matthew Smith, Aerospace Engineer, ECO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781-238-7735; fax: 781-238-7199; email: matthew.c.smith@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

The FAA issued AD 2019-03-04, Amendment 39-19556 (84 FR 4694, February 19, 2019), (“AD 2019-03-04”), for all EA GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines with a certain engine fan hub assembly installed. AD 2019-03-04 required a one-time ECI of the engine fan hub blade slot bottom and blade slot front edge for cracks, a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly for damage, and removal of parts if damage or defects are found that are outside serviceable limits. AD 2019-03-04 resulted from the FAA’s determination that inspections need to be expanded to all EA GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines with the affected engine fan hub assembly installed. The FAA issued AD 2019-03-04 to detect defects, damage, and cracks that could result in an uncontained failure of the engine fan hub assembly.

Actions Since AD 2019-03-04 was Issued

Since the FAA issued AD 2019-03-04, the manufacturer determined the need to require an independent inspection of the fan hub assembly for damage prior to the reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly for all EA GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines. The manufacturer also developed a new design of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly that decreases the potential for damage to the engine fan hub assembly when it is disassembled. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed EA ASB EAGP7-A72-389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019. The ASB describes procedures for ECI and visual inspection of the GP7270 and GP7277 engine fan hub assembly. 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

The FAA reviewed EA ASB EAGP7-A72-418, Revision No. 1, dated January 11, 2019. The ASB provides guidance on replacement or modification of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

The FAA also reviewed the following service information:

Subtask 72-31-42-210-001-A, of Task 72-31-42-000-802-A, from the A380 Aircraft Maintenance Manual (AMM). This subtask describes an on-wing visual inspection that is to be performed after removal of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

Figure 405 of Task 72-00-31-420-004 of the EA GP7000 Series Engine Manual (EM). This figure and task describe a visual inspection that is to be performed after removal of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly when the engine is in the shop.

Subtask 72-00-00-210-012-A, of Task 72-00-00-210-806-A, from the A380 Aircraft Maintenance Manual (AMM). This subtask describes an on-wing visual inspection that is to be performed after reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

Task 72-00-31-420-004, Paragraph 1.E.(13), of the GP7000 Series EM describes a visual inspection that is to be performed after reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly when the engine is in the shop.

Table 601 in Subtask 72-00-00-210-012-A, Task 72-00-00-210-806, from the A380 AMM or Task 72-00-31-220-010 of the EA GP7000 Series EM. Table 601 and Task 72-00-31-220-010 provide guidance on acceptable damage service limits.

FAA’s Determination

The FAA is issuing this AD because all the relevant information was evaluated and the FAA determined the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop in other products of the same type design.

AD Requirements

This AD requires, for certain GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, a one-time ECI of the engine fan hub blade slot bottom and blade slot front edge for cracks and a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly for damage. For all GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, this AD also requires an independent inspection of the engine fan hub assembly prior to the reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly. For certain serial-

numbered GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, this AD requires replacement of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly with a part eligible for installation.

FAA’s Justification and Determination of the Effective Date

No domestic operators use this product. Therefore, the FAA finds good cause that notice and opportunity for prior public comment are unnecessary. In addition, for the reason stated above, the FAA finds that good cause exists for making this amendment effective in less than 30 days.

Comments Invited

This AD is a final rule that involves requirements affecting flight safety, and the FAA did not provide you with

notice and an opportunity to provide your comments before it becomes effective. However, the FAA invites you to send any written data, views, or arguments about this final rule. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include the docket number FAA–2019–0465 and product identifier 2018–NE–19–AD at the beginning of your comments. The FAA specifically invites comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this final rule. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this final rule because of those comments.

The FAA will post all comments received, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. The

FAA will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact received about this final rule.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) do not apply when an agency finds good cause pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 to adopt a rule without prior notice and comment. Because FAA has determined that it has good cause to adopt this rule without notice and comment, RFA analysis is not required.

Costs of Compliance

The FAA estimates that this AD affects zero engines installed on airplanes of U.S. registry.

The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this AD:

ESTIMATED COSTS

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
ECI and visual inspection	14 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$1,190	\$0	\$1,190	\$0
Replace fan hub blade lock assembly	25 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$2,125	28,000	30,125	0

The FAA estimates the following costs to do any necessary replacements that would be required based on the

results of the inspection. The FAA has no way of determining the number of

engines that might need these replacements:

ON-CONDITION COSTS

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product
Replace engine fan hub assembly	50 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$4,250	\$790,500	\$794,750

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.

The FAA is 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.

This AD is issued in accordance with authority delegated by the Executive

Director, Aircraft Certification Service, as authorized by FAA Order 8000.51C. In accordance with that order, issuance of ADs is normally a function of the Compliance and Airworthiness Division, but during this transition period, the Executive Director has delegated the authority to issue ADs applicable to engines, propellers, and associated appliances to the Manager, Engine and Propeller Standards Branch, Policy and Innovation Division.

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, and

(2) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska.

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 part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (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 removing Airworthiness Directive (AD) AD 2019–03–04, Amendment 39–19556 (84 FR 4694, February 19, 2019), and adding the following new AD:

2019–16–04 Engine Alliance: Amendment 39–19707; Docket No. FAA–2019–0465; Product Identifier 2018–NE–19–AD.

(a) Effective Date

This AD is effective August 30, 2019.

(b) Affected ADs

This AD replaces AD 2019–03–04, Amendment 39–19556 (84 FR 4694, February 19, 2019).

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to all Engine Alliance (EA) GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines.

(d) Subject

Joint Aircraft System Component (JASC) Code 7230, Turbine Engine Compressor Section.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by an uncontained failure of the engine fan hub. The FAA is issuing this AD to detect defects, damage, and cracks that could result in an uncontained failure of the engine fan hub assembly. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could result in uncontained failure of the engine fan hub assembly, damage to the engine, and damage to the airplane.

(f) Compliance

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

(g) Required Actions

(1) For EA GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, with engine fan hub assembly part numbers (P/Ns) 5760221 or 5760321, and with serial numbered engine fan hub assemblies identified in Planning Information, Table 4, in EA Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019, within 3,000 cycles since new, or before further flight after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later:

(i) For engine fan hub assemblies at the low-pressure compressor (LPC) module assembly level:

(A) Perform a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs at LPC Module Assembly Level, paragraphs 1.A.(1), 1.A.(4), and 1.A.(6)(a), of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(B) Perform an eddy current inspection (ECI) of the engine fan hub blade slot bottoms and front edges in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs at LPC Module Assembly Level, paragraphs 2.A and 2.B, of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(ii) For engine fan hub assemblies at the piece part level:

(A) Perform a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs at Piece Part Level, paragraphs 1.A.(1) and 1.A.(3), of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(B) Perform an ECI of the engine fan hub blade slot bottoms and front edges, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs at Piece Part Level, paragraphs 2.A and 2.B, of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(iii) For engine fan hub assemblies installed in an engine (on-wing or off-wing):

(A) Perform a visual inspection of the engine fan hub assembly, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs Installed in an Engine, paragraphs 1.C.(1), 1.C.(5), and 1.C.(7)(a), of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(B) Perform an ECI of the engine fan hub blade slot bottoms and front edges, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions, For Fan Hubs Installed in an Engine, paragraphs 1.D.(1) and 1.D.(2), of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(iv) If the engine fan hub assembly visual inspection reveals defects or damage to the engine fan hub assembly outside the serviceable limits specified in Table 6 in the Accomplishment Instructions of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019, before further flight, remove the engine fan hub assembly from service and replace with a part eligible for installation.

(v) If the engine fan hub assembly ECI results in a rejectable indication per the Appendix, Added Data, of EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019, remove the engine fan hub assembly from service and, before further flight, replace with a part that is eligible for installation.

(2) For all GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines, after the effective date of this AD:

(i) At the next disassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly, visually inspect the following areas for damage:

(A) The fan hub blade lock retention hooks (also known as lock ring contact area); and

(B) The fan hub rim face.

(ii) At the next reassembly of the fan hub blade lock assembly, visually inspect the following areas of the engine fan hub for damage:

(A) The fan hub scallop areas;

(B) The fan hub bore area behind the balance flange;

(C) The fan hub fan blade lock retention hooks;

(D) The fan hub rim face; and

(E) The clinch nut holes.

(iii) After any reassembly per paragraph (g)(2)(ii), before further flight, perform an independent inspection of all areas of the engine fan hub referenced in paragraph (g)(2)(ii) of this AD for damage.

(iv) Thereafter, repeat inspections as required by paragraph (g)(2)(i), (g)(2)(ii), and (g)(2)(iii) of this AD at each disassembly and reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

(v) As an optional terminating action to the inspection requirements and independent inspection requirements of paragraph (g)(2)(i), (g)(2)(ii), and (g)(2)(iii) of this AD, insert the requirements for the visual inspections and independent inspections required by these paragraphs as Required Inspection Items in the approved continuous airworthiness maintenance program for the airplane.

(vi) If damage is found outside serviceable limits as the result of the inspections required by (g)(2)(i), (g)(2)(ii), or (g)(2)(iii) of this AD, before further flight, remove the engine fan hub assembly from service and replace with a part eligible for installation.

(3) For GP7270 and GP7277 model turbofan engines with engine serial numbers P550101 through P550706, remove the engine fan hub blade lock assembly, P/N 5700451, by September 1, 2020, and replace with a part eligible for installation. Refer to EA ASB EAGP7–A72–418, Revision No. 1, dated January 11, 2019, for guidance on replacement of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

(h) Credit for Previous Actions

You may take credit for the inspection required by paragraph (g)(1) of this AD if you performed the inspection before the effective date of this AD using EA ASB EAGP7–A72–389, Revision No. 3, dated October 18, 2018, or an earlier version.

(i) Definitions

(1) For the purpose of this AD, a part eligible for installation for replacement of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly is:

(i) A part that is not P/N 5700451, or

(ii) An engine fan hub blade lock assembly that has been modified in accordance with EA ASB EAGP7–A72–418, Revision No. 1, dated January 11, 2019 or EA ASB EAGP7–A72–418, Revision No. 0, dated December 7, 2018.

(2) For the purpose of this AD, an independent inspection is a second inspection performed by an individual qualified to perform inspections who was not involved in the original inspection of the engine fan hub assembly following disassembly and reassembly of the engine fan hub blade lock assembly.

(j) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, ECO Branch, 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 manager of the certification office, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (k) of this AD. You may email your request to: ANE–AD–AMOC@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/certificate holding district office.

(3) AMOCs approved for AD 2018–11–16 (83 FR 27891, June 15, 2018) and AD 2019–03–04 (84 FR 4694, February 19, 2019) are

approved as AMOCs for the corresponding provisions of this AD.

(k) Related Information

For more information about this AD, contact Matthew Smith, Aerospace Engineer, ECO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803; phone: 781-238-7735; fax: 781-238-7199; email: matthew.c.smith@faa.gov.

(l) 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) Engine Alliance (EA) Alert Service Bulletin EAGP7-A72-389, Revision No. 4, dated June 14, 2019.

(ii) [Reserved]

(3) For EA service information identified in this AD, contact Engine Alliance, 411 Silver Lane, East Hartford, CT 06118; phone: 800-565-0140; email: help24@pw.utc.com; website: www.engineallianceportal.com.

(4) You may view this service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Standards Branch, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7759.

(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>.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on August 9, 2019.

Karen M. Grant,

Acting Manager, Engine & Propeller Standards Branch, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2019-0274; Product Identifier 2019-NE-07-AD; Amendment 39-19704; AD 2019-16-01]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The FAA is adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all International Aero Engines AG (IAE)

V2525-D5 and V2528-D5 model turbofan engines. This AD was prompted by reports of cracked turbine exhaust cases (TECs). This AD requires initial and repetitive inspections of the affected TEC and, depending on the results of the inspections, its replacement with a part eligible for installation. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: This AD is effective September 19, 2019.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of September 19, 2019.

ADDRESSES: For service information identified in this final rule, contact International Aero Engines AG, 400 Main Street, East Hartford, CT, 06118; phone: 800-565-0140; email: help24@pw.utc.com; internet: <http://fleetcare.pw.utc.com>. You may view this service information at the FAA, Engine and Propeller Standards Branch, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA, 01803. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781-238-7759. It is also available on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching for and locating Docket No. FAA-2019-0274.

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-2019-0274; 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 final rule, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The address for Docket Operations is 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: Martin Adler, Aerospace Engineer, ECO Branch, FAA, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA, 01803; phone: 781-238-7157; fax: 781-238-7199; email: Martin.Adler@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion

The FAA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would apply to all IAE V2525-D5 and V2528-D5 model turbofan engines. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on May 20, 2019 (84 FR 22740). The NPRM was prompted by reports of cracked

TECs. The NPRM proposed to require initial and repetitive inspections of the affected TEC and, depending on the results of the inspections, its replacement with a part eligible for installation. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

Comments

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

Request To Revise Compliance Time

IAE requested that the FAA revise the compliance time in paragraph (g)(1) of this AD from 4,000 to 2,000 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD. Considering that this AD will be effective in 2019, IAE indicated that this change would better align the AD compliance time with IAE's drawdown plan and the assumptions used in its safety analysis.

The FAA disagrees. The FAA finds that the proposed compliance time of 4,000 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD still meets the safety objectives of this rule. Additionally, reducing the compliance time from that proposed in the NPRM would likely require that the FAA re-notice this AD, thereby further delaying its implementation. The FAA did not change this AD.

Support for the AD

The Air Line Pilots Association International supported the NPRM as written. The Boeing Company indicated it had no comment on the NPRM.

Conclusion

The FAA reviewed the relevant data, considered the comments received, and determined that air safety and the public interest require adopting this final rule as proposed.

Related Service Information Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed IAE Non-Modification Service Bulletin (NMSB) V2500-ENG-72-0694, Revision No. 2, dated July 2, 2018. The NMSB describes procedures for detecting any cracks that develop along the rear mount stiffener rail on the TEC. 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.