

inspect each roller bearing (number 5) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD for damage. For the purposes of this inspection, damage may be indicated by corrosion, lack of lubrication (dry exterior surface), or material degradation.

(B) If any roller bearing (number 5) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD has any damage, before further flight, remove the roller bearing from service and install an airworthy roller bearing.

(iv) If there is not any binding or ratcheting as a result of the action required by paragraph (g)(2)(iii) of this AD or after accomplishing the action required by paragraph (g)(2)(iii)(B) of this AD, as applicable, tighten the cyclic friction knob (number 12 or 13) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD.

(v) Connect the one-way lock (number 6) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD by accomplishing the actions required by paragraphs (g)(2)(v)(A) and (B).

(A) Install the slotted bushing (number 11), washers (number 10), bolt (number 9), nut (number 8), and new (zero total hours TIS) cotter pin (number 7) as depicted in Figure 1 to paragraph (g)(1) of this AD.

(B) Ensure the edge of the slotted bushing (number 11) protrudes 0.010 to 0.080 inch (0.25 to 2.03 mm) above the surface of the cyclic torque tube after the nut is tightened.

(h) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, West Certification 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 responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the West Certification Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (i) of this AD and email to: 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.

(i) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Eduardo Orozco-Duran, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712; phone: (562) 627-5264; email: eduardo.orozco-duran@faa.gov.

(j) Material Incorporated by Reference

None.

Issued on October 22, 2025.

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Acting Deputy Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2025-2555; Project Identifier AD-2025-00433-E]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain International Aero Engines AG (IAE AG) Model V2522-A5, V2524-A5, V2525-D5, V2527-A5, V2527E-A5, V2527M-A5, V2528-D5, V2530-A5, V2531-E5, and V2533-A5 engines. This proposed AD was prompted by a manufacturer investigation that revealed that certain 3rd stage HPC rotor blades were susceptible to shroud wear and blade failure. This proposed AD would require replacement of affected 3rd stage HPC rotor blades with parts eligible for installation. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this proposed AD by January 2, 2026.

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 [regulations.gov](https://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.

AD Docket: You may examine the AD docket at [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) under Docket No. FAA-2025-2555; 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 NPRM, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations is listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposal. Send your comments using a method listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include “Docket No. FAA-2025-2555; Project Identifier AD-2025-00433-E” at the beginning of your comments. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the proposal, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. The FAA will consider all comments received by the closing date and may revise this proposal because of those comments.

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Background

The FAA received multiple reports of failed 3rd stage HPC rotor blades that resulted in engine fires, unplanned engine removals, aborted takeoffs, and in-flight shutdowns (IFSD). A manufacturer investigation revealed that 3rd stage HPC rotor blade part numbers (P/Ns) 6A8353 or 6A8688, installed on IAE AG Model V2522-A5, V2524-A5,

V2525–D5, V2527–A5, V2527E–A5, V2527M–A5, V2528–D5, V2530–A5, V2531–E5, and V2533–A5 engines were susceptible to shroud wear and blade fractures. As a result, the manufacturer has developed an improved coating process that increases the durability of the shroud coating, mitigating wear and reducing the risk of blade fractures. This condition, if not addressed, could result in engine fire, reduced control of the airplane, and engine IFSD.

FAA’s Determination

The FAA is issuing this NPRM after determining that the unsafe condition described previously is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

Proposed AD Requirements in This NPRM

This proposed AD would require a full set replacement of affected 3rd stage

HPC rotor blades with parts eligible for installation.

Costs of Compliance

The FAA estimates that this AD, if adopted as proposed, would affect 1,496 engines installed on aircraft of U.S. registry.

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

ESTIMATED COSTS

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
Replace full set of 3rd stage HPC rotor blades with re-worked blades.	1 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$85 ...	\$30,000	\$30,085	\$45,007,160

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.

Regulatory Findings

The FAA 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) Would not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
- (3) Would 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:

International Aero Engines AG: Docket No. FAA–2025–2555; Project Identifier AD–2025–00433–E.

(a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) by January 2, 2026.

(b) Affected ADs

None.

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to International Aero Engines AG (IAE AG) Model V2522–A5, V2524–A5, V2525–D5, V2527–A5, V2527E–A5, V2527M–A5, V2528–D5, V2530–A5, V2531–E5, and V2533–A5 engines with a 3rd stage high-pressure compressor (HPC) rotor blade having part numbers (P/N) 6A8353 or P/N 6A8688 installed.

(d) Subject

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

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by multiple reports of failed 3rd stage HPC rotor blades that resulted in engine fires, unplanned engine removals, aborted takeoffs, and in-flight shutdowns (IFSD). The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent failure of the 3rd stage HPC rotor blades. The unsafe condition, if not addressed, could result in engine fire, reduced control of the airplane, and engine IFSD.

(f) Compliance

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

(g) Required Actions

At the next 3rd stage HPC rotor blade exposure after the effective date of this AD, replace the full set of 3rd stage HPC rotor blades with parts eligible for installation.

(h) Definitions

- (1) For the purpose of this AD, a “part eligible for installation” is:
 - (i) A 3rd stage HPC rotor blade having P/N 6C8368, 6C8403, or later approved P/N; or
 - (ii) A 3rd stage HPC rotor blade modified to P/N 6A8353–001 or P/N 6A8688–001.
- (2) For the purpose of this AD, a “3rd stage HPC rotor blade exposure” is when any 3rd stage HPC rotor blade is removed from the HPC stage 3 to 8 drum.

(i) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, AIR–520 Continued Operational Safety 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 AIR–520 Continued Operational Safety Branch, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (j) of this AD and email to: 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.

(j) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Carol Nguyen, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 2200 South 216th Street, Des Moines, WA 98198; phone: (781) 238-7655; email: carol.nguyen@faa.gov.

(k) Material Incorporated by Reference

None.

Issued on September 19, 2025.

Lona C. Saccomando,

Acting Deputy Director, Integrated Certificate Management Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2025-3436; Project Identifier MCAI-2024-00314-R]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Bell Textron Canada Limited Helicopters

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Bell Textron Canada Limited (Bell) Model 407 helicopters. This proposed AD was prompted by a report of a fractured pilot cyclic stick tube and subsequent findings of other pilot cyclic stick tubes with fatigue cracking. This proposed AD would require repetitively inspecting the pilot cyclic stick tube assembly for a crack and, depending on the results, repairing or replacing the pilot cyclic stick tube assembly. The FAA is proposing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: The FAA must receive comments on this NPRM by January 2, 2026.

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Material Incorporated by Reference:

- For Transport Canada material identified in this proposed AD, contact Transport Canada, Transport Canada National Aircraft Certification, 159 Cleopatra Drive, Nepean, Ontario, K1A 0N5, Canada; phone: (888) 663-3639; email: tc.airworthinessdirectives-consignesdenavigabilite.TC@tc.gc.ca; website: tc.canada.ca/en/aviation. You may find the Transport Canada material on the Transport Canada website at tc.canada.ca/en/aviation.

- You may view this material at the FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 10101 Hillwood Parkway, Room 6N-321, Fort Worth, TX 76177. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222-5110.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

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Background

Transport Canada, which is the aviation authority for Canada, has issued Transport Canada AD CF-2024-18, dated May 29, 2024 (Transport Canada AD CF-2024-18) (also referred to as the MCAI), to correct an unsafe condition on Bell Model 407 helicopters, serial numbers 53000 through 53900, 53911 through 53999, 54000 through 54166, 54300 through 54800, 54805 through 54999, 56300 through 56305, and 56311 through 56315, installed with a pilot cyclic stick tube assembly part number (P/N) 206-001-342-101 or 206-001-342-101FM. The MCAI states that Bell received a report that a pilot cyclic stick tube assembly having P/N 206-001-342-101 fractured at the lower end of the tube near the upper slotted area where it is held in place in the pivot assembly. Examination of the fractured pilot cyclic stick tube and subsequent findings of other cracked pilot cyclic stick tubes revealed fatigue cracking. Further investigation identified the root cause of the pilot cyclic stick tube cracking as the application of excessive force to the cyclic stick during the freedom of movement of the controls and cyclic centering light operation check as part of the interior and prestart check, which resulted in elevated stress at the slotted area and was aggravated by the high stress concentration design feature of the upper slotted area.

This condition, if not detected and corrected, could lead to an in-flight