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VRTULNÍK - PRUŽNÁ SPOJKA (FLEXPLATE) - VÝMĚNA

Týká se: vrtulníků vyrobených společností Robinson Helicopter typu R 22 s instalovanou přední pružnou spojkou (flexplate) katalogového čísla (P/N) A947-1 A až D, nebo P/N A193-1, certifikovaných v kterékoliv kategorii.

Důvod vydání: porušení přední pružné spojky (flexplate), které vedlo k selhání pohonu hlavního rotoru a prasknutí palivové nádrže.

Datum účinnosti: ihned po obdržení.

Provést v termínech: jak je popsáno v části "Compliance" FAA PL AD 98-14-08.

Postup provedených prací: dle části "Compliance" FAA PL AD 98-14-08 (příloha tohoto PZZ).

Poznámky: Provedení tohoto PZZ musí být zapsáno do letadlové knihy. Případné dotazy týkající se tohoto PZZ adresujte na ÚCL technický inspektorát - Ing. Fiala Bohumil. Pokud to vyžaduje povaha tohoto PZZ musí být zapracováno do příslušné části dokumentace pro obsluhu,údržbu a opravy letadla. Tento PZZ byl vypracován na základě FAA PL AD 98-14-08.

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Úřad pro civilní letectví

98-14-08 ROBINSON HELICOPTER COMPANY

Docket No. 98-SW-30-AD.

Applicability: Model R22 helicopters, with forward flexplate, part number (P/N) A947-1 A through D, or P/N A193-1, installed, certificated in any category.

NOTE 1: This AD applies to each helicopter identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For helicopters that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must use the authority provided in paragraph (b) to request approval from the FAA. This approval may address either no action, if the current configuration eliminates the unsafe condition, or different actions necessary to address the unsafe condition described in this AD. Such a request should include an assessment of the effect of the changed configuration on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD. In no case does the presence of any modification, alteration, or repair remove any helicopter from the applicability of this AD.

Compliance: Required within 25 hours time-in-service (TIS) or 15 calendar days, whichever occurs first, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent failure of the flexplate, which could result in failure of the main rotor drive system and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter, accomplish the following:

- (a) Remove the flexplate and replace it with an airworthy flexplate, P/N A947-1 E or F, in accordance with the following:
- 1.With the clutch disengaged, support the forward end of the clutch shaft, P/N A166-1, and remove the forward flexplate, P/N A947-1 or A193-1, and the intermediate flexplate, P/N A947-2 or P/N A193-2. Record any shim locations for reinstallation.
- 2.Install a zero TIS forward flexplate, P/N A947-1 E or F, and any shims that were noted. Use washers, P/N AN960-516 or AN960-516L, under the nut so that 2-4 threads are exposed. Torque the fasteners.
- 3.Inspect the sheave alignment.
- 4.Inspect the clutch shaft, P/N A166-1, angle.
- 5. Reinstall the intermediate flexplate and shim.
- NOTE 2: Robinson R22 Maintenance Manual, Sections 1.320, 7.230, 7.240, and 7.330 pertain to paragraphs (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5) of this AD, respectively.
- NOTE 3: Robinson Helicopter Company R22 Service Bulletin SB-75, dated November 22, 1994, pertains to the subject of this AD.
- (b) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, FAA. Operators shall submit their requests through an FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may concur or comment and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office.
- NOTE 4: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office.
- (c) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the helicopter to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.
- (d) Priority Letter AD 98-14-08, issued June 25, 1998, becomes effective upon receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elizabeth Bumann, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, Propulsion Branch, 3960 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, California 90712, telephone (562) 627-5265, fax (562) 627-5210.