

This previously described unsafe condition is likely to exist or develop on other helicopters of these same type designs. Therefore, the proposed AD would supersede AD 2002-08-16 to retain the same requirements and would add tie bar, P/N 704A33-633-270, to the applicability, remove it from service within 600 hours TIS or 2 years, whichever occurs first, and revise the limitations section of the maintenance manual accordingly.

We estimate that this proposed AD would affect 33 helicopters of U.S. registry. The proposed actions would take about 8 work hours per helicopter to replace the tie bars at an average labor rate of \$65 per work hour. Required parts would cost about \$13,335 per helicopter, assuming all 3 tie bars are replaced. Based on these figures, we estimate the total cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators to be \$457,215 (\$13,855 per helicopter).

Regulatory Findings

We have determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. Additionally, 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 that the 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); and
3. 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.

We prepared a draft economic evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD. See the DMS to examine the draft economic evaluation.

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.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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. Section 39.13 is amended by removing Amendment 39-12725 (67 FR 19640, April 23, 2002), and by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD), to read as follows:

Eurocopter France: Docket No. FAA-2006-24733; Directorate Identifier 2005-SW-08-AD. Supersedes AD 2002-08-16, Amendment 39-12725, Docket No. 2001-SW-72-AD.

Applicability: Model SA341G, SA342J, and SA-360C helicopters with a main rotor head torsion tie bar (tie bar), part number (P/N) 341A31-4904-00, -01, -02, -03; 341A31-4933-00, -01; 360A31-1097-02, -03; or 704A33-633-270, installed, certificated in any category.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent failure of a tie bar, loss of a main rotor blade, and subsequent loss of control of the aircraft, do the following:

- (a) Before further flight, remove each tie bar, P/N 341A31-4904-00, -01, -02, or -03; and 360A31-1097-02 or -03; from service.
- (b) For each tie bar, P/N 341A31-4933-00 or -01:
 - (1) Before further flight, determine the date of initial installation on any helicopter using the date of manufacture if the date of installation cannot be determined.
 - (2) For each tie bar with 7 or more years time-in-service (TIS) since initial installation on any helicopter, remove within 5 hours TIS.
 - (3) For each tie bar manufactured before 1995 with less than 7 years TIS since initial installation on any helicopter, remove before accumulating 7 years TIS, within 300 hours TIS, or within 1 year, whichever occurs first.
 - (4) For each tie bar manufactured in 1995 or subsequent years with less than 7 years

TIS since initial installation on any helicopter, remove before accumulating 7 years TIS since initial installation, within 600 hours TIS, or within 2 years, whichever occurs first.

Note 1: Eurocopter France (ECF) Alert Telex AT 01.39 R1, dated December 11, 2001, pertains to the subject of this AD for the Model SA-360C helicopters.

- (c) Remove each tie bar, P/N 704A33-633-270, within 600 hours TIS, or within 2 years, whichever occurs first.

Note 2: ECF Alert Service Bulletin 01.29, dated December 4, 2002, pertains to the subject of this AD for the Models SA341G and SA342J helicopters.

- (d) This AD revises the Limitations section of the maintenance manual by adding to the current life limit of 5000 hours TIS for tie bars, P/N 341A31-4933-00 and -01 the following additional alternative life limits:

- (1) Seven years TIS from initial installation on any helicopter, or
- (2) For tie bars manufactured before 1995, a life limit of 300 hours TIS or 1 year, or
- (3) For P/N 341A31-4933-00 and -01, for tie bars manufactured in 1995 or subsequent years, a life limit of 600 hours TIS or 2 years, whichever occurs first.

- (e) This AD revises the Limitations section of the maintenance manual by reducing the current life limit of 1000 hours TIS for tie bar, P/N 704A33-633-270, to a life limit of 600 hours TIS or 2 years, whichever occurs first.

- (f) Special flight permits will not be issued.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in Direction Generale De L'Aviation Civile (France) ADs 2001-588-047(A) R1, dated December 26, 2001, and 2001-587-041(A) R2, dated January 8, 2003.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on April 28, 2006.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 271

[EPA-R03-RCRA-2006-0381; FRL-8165-6]

Virginia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Virginia has applied to EPA for final authorization of revisions to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). EPA proposes to grant final authorization to Virginia. In the "Rules

and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is authorizing the revisions by an immediate final rule. EPA did not make a proposal prior to the immediate final rule because we believe this action is not controversial and do not expect comments that oppose it. We have explained the reasons for this authorization in the preamble to the immediate final rule. Unless we receive written comments that oppose this authorization during the comment period, the immediate final rule will become effective on the date it establishes, and we will not take further action on this proposal. However, if we receive comments that oppose this action, we will withdraw the relevant amendments, section or paragraph of the immediate final rule, and they will not take effect. We will then respond to public comments in a later final rule based on this proposal. You may not have another opportunity for comment. If you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time.

DATES: Send your written comments by June 9, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by [EPA-R03-RCRA-2006-0381] by one of the following methods:

1. Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

2. E-mail: ellerbe.lillie@epamail.epa.gov.

3. Mail: Lillie Ellerbe, Mailcode 3WC21, RCRA State Programs Branch, U.S. EPA Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029.

4. Hand Delivery: At the previously-listed EPA Region III address. Such deliveries are only accepted during normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

You may inspect and copy Virginia's application from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday at the following addresses: Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Waste Program Coordination, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219, Phone number: (804) 698-4213, attn: Robert Wickline, and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, West Central Regional Office, 3019 Peters Creek Road, Roanoke, VA 24015, Phone number: (540) 562-6872, attn: Aziz Farahmand, and EPA Region III, Library, 2nd Floor, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029, Phone number: (215) 814-5254.

Instructions: Direct your comments to [EPA-R03-RCRA-2006-0381]. EPA's policy is that all comments received

will be included in the public file without change, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or e-mail. The federal www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through www.regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public file and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lillie Ellerbe, Mailcode 3WC21, RCRA State Programs Branch, U.S. EPA Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029, Phone Number: (215) 814-5454.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, please see the immediate final rule published in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 13, 2006.

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Regional Administrator, EPA Region III.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 721

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2005-0015; FRL-8068-8]

RIN 2070-AJ18

Perfluoroalkyl Sulfonates; Proposed Significant New Use Rule; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document extends the public comment period for the proposed Significant New Use Rule for certain Perfluoroalkyl Sulfonates issued under the authority of section 5(a)(2) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) that was published in the **Federal Register** on March 10, 2006 (71 FR 12311) (FRL-7740-6). On April 10, 2006 (71 FR 18055) (FRL-7779-7), EPA extended the end of the public comment period from April 10, 2006 to May 10, 2006. In this action, EPA is further extending the end of the comment period from May 10, 2006 to August 8, 2006.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 8, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions as provided under **ADDRESSES** in the **Federal Register** document of March 10, 2006 (71 FR 12311).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *For general information contact:* Colby Lintner, Regulatory Coordinator, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Amy Breedlove, Chemical Control Division (7405M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-9823; e-mail address: breedlove.amy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

The Agency included in the proposed rule a list of those who may be potentially affected by this action. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Action is EPA Taking?

This document extends the public comment period for the proposed SNUR for certain perfluoroalkyl sulfonates issued under the authority of section 5(a)(2) of TSCA that was published in the **Federal Register** on March 10, 2006 (71 FR 12311). On April 10, 2006 (71 FR 18055), EPA extended the end of the public comment period from April 10, 2006 to May 10, 2006. In today's action,