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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),

(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 removing Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2012-02-18, Amendment 39-16941 (77 FR 12175, February 29, 2012), and adding the following new AD:

**Dassault Aviation:** Docket No. FAA-2018-1010; Product Identifier 2018-NM-148-AD.

##### (a) Comments Due Date

The FAA must receive comments on this AD action by February 11, 2019.

##### (b) Affected ADs

This AD removes AD 2012-02-18, Amendment 39-16941 (77 FR 12175, February 29, 2012).

##### (c) Applicability

This AD applies to Dassault Aviation Model MYSTERE-FALCON 50 airplanes, all serial numbers, certificated in any category.

#### (d) Related Information

For more information about this AD, contact Tom Rodriguez, Aerospace Engineer, International Section, Transport Standards Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206-231-3226.

Issued in Des Moines, Washington, on December 7, 2018.

**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-2018-1009; Product Identifier 2018-NM-147-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** We propose to remove Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2007-22-05 and AD 2013-13-13 (referred to after this as “the affected ADs”), which apply to Airbus SAS Model A300-600 and A310 series airplanes. The affected ADs require certain actions to address various unsafe conditions. The affected ADs are no longer necessary because we have since issued other ADs that address these unsafe conditions. Accordingly, we propose to remove the affected ADs.

**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.

#### 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-2018-1009; 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 proposal, 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:** Dan Rodina, Aerospace Engineer, International Section, Transport Standards Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206-231-3225.

#### 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-2018-1009; Product Identifier 2018-NM-147-AD” at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this proposed AD. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposed AD 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 proposed AD.

#### Discussion

Since we issued the affected ADs, we have issued other ADs to address the various unsafe conditions. Therefore the affected ADs are no longer necessary.

## Affected ADs and the AD(s) that Terminates the Affected ADs

Affected AD	Affected Models	AD(s) that Terminates the Affected AD
AD 2007-22-05, Amendment 39-15241 (72 FR 60236, October 24, 2007)	A300–600 series airplanes	AD 2018-01-07, Amendment 39-19148 (83 FR 2042, January 16, 2018) (“AD 2018-01-07”)
AD 2013-13-13, Amendment 39-17501 (79 FR 48957, August 19, 2014)	A300–600 and A310 series airplanes	AD 2017-21-08, Amendment 39-19079 (82 FR 48904, October 23, 2017); and AD 2018-01-07

**FAA’s Conclusions**

We have determined that the affected ADs are no longer necessary. Accordingly, this proposed AD would remove the affected ADs. Removal of the affected ADs would not preclude the FAA from issuing other related actions or commit the FAA to any course of action in the future.

**Costs of Compliance**

This proposed AD would add no cost. This proposed AD would remove the affected ADs from 14 CFR part 39; therefore, operators would no longer be required to show compliance with the affected ADs.

**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.

This proposed 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 transport category airplanes and associated appliances to the Director of the System Oversight Division.

**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 removing AD 2007–22–05, Amendment 39–15241 (72 FR 60236, October 24, 2007) and AD 2013–13–13, Amendment 39–17501 (79 FR 48957, August 19, 2014); and adding the following new AD:

**Airbus SAS:** Docket No. FAA–2018–1009; Product Identifier 2018–NM–147–AD.

**(a) Comments Due Date**

We must receive comments by February 11, 2019.

**(b) Affected ADs**

This AD removes AD 2007–22–05, Amendment 39–15241 (72 FR 60236, October 24, 2007) and AD 2013–13–13, Amendment 39–17501 (79 FR 48957, August 19, 2014)

**(c) Applicability**

This AD applies to Model A300–600 and A310 series airplanes.

**(d) Related Information**

For more information about this AD, contact Dan Rodina, Aerospace Engineer, International Section, Transport Standards Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206–231–3225.

Issued in Des Moines, Washington, on December 7, 2018.

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-2018-1063; Product Identifier 2018-NM-160-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS 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 Airbus SAS Model A330-223, A330-223F, A330-321, A330-322, and A330-323 airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by a report of fatigue cracking in the latch beam gussets on a certain thrust reverser (T/R). This proposed AD would require a one-time special detailed inspection of certain latch beam gussets of certain T/Rs for cracks, and modifying the latch beam gussets of the T/Rs, if necessary. 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 the incorporation by reference (IBR) material described in the “Related IBR material under 1 CFR part 51” section in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, contact European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; telephone +49 221 89990 1000; email [ADs@easa.europa.eu](mailto:ADs@easa.europa.eu); internet [www.easa.europa.eu](http://www.easa.europa.eu). You may find this IBR material on the EASA website at <https://ad.easa.europa.eu>. You may view this IBR material 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 in the AD docket on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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#### 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-2018-1063; 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, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for Docket Operations (telephone 800-647-5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vladimir Ulyanov, Aerospace Engineer, International Section, Transport Standards Branch, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; telephone and fax 206-231-3229.

#### 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-2018-1063; Product Identifier 2018-NM-160-AD” at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this NPRM. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this NPRM based on 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 NPRM.

##### Discussion

The EASA, which is the Technical Agent for the Member States of the European Union, has issued EASA AD 2018-0227, dated October 22, 2018 (“EASA AD 2018-0227”) (also referred to as the Mandatory Continuing Airworthiness Information, or “the MCAI”), to correct an unsafe condition

for all Airbus SAS Model A330-223, A330-223F, A330-321, A330-322, A330-323 airplanes. The MCAI states:

A report was received of an in-service occurrence where an operator found a crack in the latch beam gussets of an affected TR [thrust reverser], between the forward (L2) and middle (L3) latches, adjacent to the aft cascade frame attachment bracket in the 6 o'clock beam. Subsequent investigation revealed that the crack surface of the latch beam gusset showed indication of high fatigue cycle, leading to development of a design modification, reinforcing the latch beam gussets. This was introduced through Airbus production mod 48539 (improvement of 6 o'clock latch beam) and Airbus issued the modification SB [Airbus Service Bulletin A330-78-3014, dated May 9, 2001] as a recommendation for in-service aeroplanes. Since these measures were introduced, a new case was reported of finding a crack beyond prediction at the latch beam gusset of an affected TR, on which the recommended modification SB had not been accomplished. This condition, if not detected and corrected, could lead to crack propagation until part failure and potentially departure of TR cascade during TR operation, which could create runway hazards for other aeroplanes [which could result in damage to the airplane and hazards to persons or property on the ground].

To address this potential unsafe condition, Airbus issued the inspection SB [Airbus Service Bulletin A330-78-3024, dated June 28, 2018] to provide instructions for special detailed inspection (SDI) of the latch beam gussets.

For the reasons described above, this [EASA] AD requires a one-time SDI of the latch beam gussets between the forward and middle latches of the affected TR [for cracks] and, depending on findings, replacement with improved (reinforced, modified) TR latch beam gussets.

#### Related IBR Material Under 1 CFR Part 51

EASA AD 2018-0227 describes procedures for a one-time special detailed inspection of the latch beam gussets between the forward and middle latches of the affected T/R for cracks and modifying the latch beam gussets. This material 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 and it is publicly available through the EASA website.

#### FAA's Determination and Requirements of This Proposed AD

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country, and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to our bilateral agreement with the State of Design Authority, we have been notified of the unsafe condition described in the