Land Select (LAND SEL) Switch—Flaps 10 degrees

Use landing data for 10 degrees flaps from

Appendix 1 of this AD.

- (b) For Diamond I airplanes, as identified in Mitsubishi MU-300 Service Bulletin No. 30-007, dated January 12, 1996: Within 2 years after the effective date of this AD, accomplish the requirements of paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)($\hat{4}$) of this AD:
- 1) Install an ice detector in accordance with Mitsubishi MU-300 Service Bulletin No. 30-007, dated January 12, 1996.
- (2) Revise the Introduction, Operating Limitations, Emergency Procedures, Abnormal Procedures, Normal Procedures, Performance, and Weight and Balance Sections of the FAA-approved AFM to address the operation of the ice detector system. This may be accomplished by inserting a copy of Airplane Flight Manual Supplement M300–1003, dated December 6, 1995, in the AFM.
- (3) Accomplish either paragraph (b)(3)(i) or (b)(3)(ii) of this AD.
- (i) Convert the airplane from the Diamond I configuration to the Diamond IA configuration in accordance with Mitsubishi MU-300 Diamond Service Recommendation SR 71-001, Revision 2, dated June 1, 1984; and accomplish the AFM revision required by paragraph (c)(3) of this AD. Or

(ii) Modify the warning horn system of the landing gear in accordance with Attachment 1 of Mitsubishi MU-300 Service Bulletin No.

30-007, dated January 12, 1996.

- (4) Revise the Operating Limitations, **Emergency Procedures, Abnormal** Procedures, Normal Procedures, Performance, and Weight and Balance Sections of the AFM to limit the maximum flap position to flaps 10 degrees for flight in icing conditions or landing after an icing encounter, to allow landing flaps of 30 degrees if the icing encounter meets certain criteria, and to specify flaps 10 degrees as a normal landing flap configuration. This may be accomplished by inserting a copy of Diamond I Flight Manual, Revision 9, dated January 5, 1996, in the AFM.
- (c) For Diamond IA airplanes: Within 2 years after the effective date of this AD, accomplish the requirements of paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3) of this AD.
- (1) Install an ice detector in accordance with Mitsubishi MU-300 Service Bulletin No. 30-007, dated January 12, 1996.
- (2) Revise the Introduction, Operating Limitations, Emergency Procedures, Abnormal Procedures, Normal Procedures, Performance, and Weight and Balance Sections of the FAA-approved AFM to address the operation of the ice detector

This may be accomplished by inserting a copy of Airplane Flight Manual Supplement M300-1003, dated December 6, 1995, in the AFM.

(3) Revise the Operating Limitations, **Emergency Procedures, Abnormal** Procedures, Normal Procedures, and Performance Sections of the AFM to limit the maximum flap position to flaps 10 degrees for flight in icing conditions or landing after an icing encounter, and to allow landing flaps of 30 degrees if the icing encounter

meets certain criteria. This may be accomplished by inserting a copy of Mitsubishi MU-300 Diamond IA Airplane Flight Manual, Revision 9, dated January 5, 1996, in the AFM.

(d) Accomplishment of the requirements of paragraph (b) or (c) of this AD, as applicable, constitutes terminating action for the requirements of AD 94-25-10, amendment 39-9094 [and paragraph (a) of this AD.] Following accomplishment of paragraph (b) or (c) of this AD, as applicable, the AFM revision required by paragraph (a) of this AD may be removed from the AFM.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(e) 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, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Small Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Wichita ACO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Wichita ACO.

Special Flight Permits

(f) 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 airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Incorporation by Reference

(g) Except as provided by paragraphs (a), (b)(2), (b)(4), (c)(2), and (c)(3) of this AD, the actions shall be done in accordance with Mitsubishi MU-300 Service Bulletin No. 30-007, dated January 12, 1996; and Mitsubishi MU-300 Diamond Service Recommendation SR 71-001, Revision 2, dated June 1, 1984. Mitsubishi MU-300 Diamond Service Recommendation SR 71-001, Revision 2, dated June 1, 1984, contains the following list of effective pages:

Page No.	Revision level shown on page	Date shown on page
List of Effective Pages, Pages 1, 2.	2	June 1, 1984.

This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Raytheon Aircraft Company, Manager Service Engineering, Hawker Customer Support Department, P.O. Box 85, Wichita, Kansas 67201–0085. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Small Airplane Directorate, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office, 1801 Airport Road, Room 100, Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, Kansas; or at the

Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC

(h) This amendment becomes effective on November 30, 1999.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on October 15, 1999.

D.L. Riggin,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 99-27563 Filed 10-25-99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-13-U

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-NM-382-AD; Amendment 39-11386; AD 99-22-08]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9, DC-9-80 and C-9 (Military) Series Airplanes, and Model MD-88 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9, DC-9-80 and C-9 (military) series airplanes, and Model MD-88 airplanes, that requires revising the wiring of the air conditioning pneumatic supply control, if applicable, and revising the wiring of the pneumatic augmentation valve. This amendment is prompted by a report indicating that the pneumatic augmentation valve may go fully open when an engine fails during initial climb prior to deactivation of the second segment climb switch. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent opening of the pneumatic augmentation valve, which could result in significant loss of thrust from the remaining engine and consequent inadequate initial climb performance of the airplane.

DATES: Effective November 30, 1999. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of November 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Aircraft Group, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Technical Publications Business Administration, Dept. C1-L51 (2-60). This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Baitoo, Aerospace Engineer, Propulsion Branch, ANM–140L, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712–4137; telephone (562) 627–5245; fax (562) 627–5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9, DC-9-80 and C-9 (military) series airplanes, and Model MD-88 airplanes was published in the Federal Register on August 6, 1999 (64 FR 42868). That action proposed to require revising the wiring of the air conditioning pneumatic supply control, if applicable, and revising the wiring of the pneumatic augmentation valve.

Comments

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. Due consideration has been given to the single comment received.

The commenter supports the proposed rule.

Conclusion

After careful review of the available data, including the comment noted above, the FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule as proposed.

Cost Impact

There are approximately 1,500 airplanes of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. The FAA estimates that 700 airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD, that it will take approximately between 1 to 6 work hours per airplane to accomplish the actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Required parts cost will be nominal. Based on these figures, the cost impact of this AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be between \$42,000 and \$252,000, or between \$60 and \$360 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

Regulatory Impact

The regulations adopted herein will not have substantial direct effects 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. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this final rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a ''significant rule'' under 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. A final evaluation has been prepared for this action and it is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained from the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration 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. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

99–22–08 McDonnel Douglas: Amendment 39–11386. Docket 98–NM–382–AD.

Applicability: Model DC-9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 series airplanes; Model DC-9-81 (MD-81), DC-9-82 (MD-82), DC-9-83 (MD-83), and DC-9-87 (MD-87) series airplanes; Model MD-88 airplanes; and C-9 (military) series airplanes; as listed in the McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9-36-012, Revision 04, dated October 16, 1998; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane 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 airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (b) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent opening of the pneumatic augmentation valve during initial climb following an engine failure, which could result in significant loss of thrust on the remaining engine and consequent inadequate initial climb performance of the airplane, accomplish the following:

Modification

(a) Within 3 years after the effective date of this AD, revise the wiring of the air conditioning pneumatic supply control, if applicable, and revise the wiring of the pneumatic augmentation valve, in accordance with McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–36–012, Revision 03, dated February 3, 1998, or Revision 04, dated October 16, 1998.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(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 (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles ACO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles ACO.

Special Flight Permits

(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 airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Incorporation by Reference

(d) The modification shall be done in accordance with McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–36–012, Revision 03, dated February 3, 1998; or McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–36–012, Revision 04, dated October 16, 1998; as applicable. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Aircraft Group, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Technical

Publications Business Administration, Dept. C1–L51 (2–60). Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

(e) This amendment becomes effective on November 30, 1999.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on October 15, 1999.

D.L. Riggin,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 99–27562 Filed 10–25–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–U

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NM-178-AD; Amendment 39-11387; AD 99-22-09]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747–400 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule; request for

comments.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain Boeing Model 747-400 series airplanes. This action requires an inspection of the crew rest area heat exchangers to detect deflection or interference with the flight control cables; and various follow-on actions. This action also requires replacement of certain nutplate attachment rivets that attach the heat exchangers to the airframe with stronger rivets. This amendment is prompted by a report of interference between insulation blankets adjacent to the heat exchangers and flight control cables. The actions specified in this AD are intended to prevent a reduction in maximum rudder and elevator surface deflection due to the separation of heat exchangers from the body frame, which could result in reduced controllability of the airplane. DATES: Effective November 10, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of November 10, 1999.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before December 27, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM–114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 99–NM–178–AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056.

The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, Washington 98124–2207. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Mudrovich, Aerospace Engineer, System and Equipment Branch, ANM–130S, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–2983; fax (425)

227-1181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA has received a report indicating that the rudder and elevator of a Boeing Model 747-400 series airplane were "stiff." Further investigation revealed that the nutplate attachment rivets that attach the crew rest area (CRA) heat exchangers to the airframe at station 1920 had failed. When the CRA air supply fan was on, air pressure caused the heat exchangers to deflect downwards and push adjacent insulation blankets into the flight control cables, causing the stiffness of the flight controls. This condition, if not corrected, could result in reduced maximum deflection of the rudder and elevator surfaces, which could result in reduced controllability of the airplane.

Examination of failed rivets revealed that the rivets were not made of 2017-T4 aluminum, which was the rivet material specified in the engineering drawings. Instead, the rivets were made of lower-strength 1100–F aluminum. The airplane manufacturer has determined that rivets made of the proper material were installed during production on airplanes after line number 1205.

Explanation of Relevant Service Information

The FAA has reviewed and approved Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–53A2430, dated June 10, 1999, which describes procedures for inspection of the CRA heat exchangers to detect deflection or interference with the flight control cables; and an inspection of the heat exchanger panels, pitot-static tubes, and air distribution ducts in that area to

detect damage, if necessary. If any damage is detected, the alert service bulletin specifies to contact the manufacturer for repair instructions. The alert service bulletin also describes procedures for performing an electrical conductivity measurement of the nutplate attachment rivets that attach the heat exchangers to the airframe to determine the rivet material, and replacement of certain rivets with stronger rivets. Accomplishment of the actions specified in the alert service bulletin is intended to adequately address the identified unsafe condition.

Explanation of Requirements of the Rule

Since an unsafe condition has been identified that is likely to exist or develop on other airplanes of the same type design, this AD is being issued to prevent a reduction in maximum rudder and elevator surface deflection due to the separation of heat exchangers from the body frame, which could result in reduced controllability of the airplane. This AD requires accomplishment of the actions specified in the alert service bulletin described previously, except as described below.

Differences Between Rule and Alert Service Bulletin

Operators should note that, although the alert service bulletin specifies that the manufacturer may be contacted for disposition of certain repair conditions, this AD requires the repair of those conditions to be accomplished in accordance with a method approved by the FAA.

Cost Impact

None of the airplanes affected by this action are on the U.S. Register. All airplanes included in the applicability of this rule currently are operated by non-U.S. operators under foreign registry; therefore, they are not directly affected by this AD action. However, the FAA considers that this rule is necessary to ensure that the unsafe condition is addressed in the event that any of these subject airplanes are imported and placed on the U.S. Register in the future.

Should an affected airplane be imported and placed on the U.S. Register in the future, it would require approximately 2 work hours to accomplish the required inspection, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of this inspection would be \$120 per airplane.

It would require approximately 3 hours to accomplish the required replacement, at an average labor rate of