

*Compliance:* Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent chafing or damage of the power cables of the heated windshield, which could cause arcing and result in smoke and fire in the cockpit, accomplish the following:

#### Inspection and Corrective Action

(a) Within 90 days after the effective date of this AD: Perform a general visual inspection of the wiring harness and power cables of the heated windshield to detect inadequate clearance between the cables and the flight instruments, and to ensure that the harness is securely supported and no chafing of the protective cover on the cables is evident, in accordance with Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD3 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3 SHERPA series airplanes), SD360 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3-60 SHERPA series airplanes), or SD360-30-26 (for Model SD3-60 series airplanes); all dated April 2, 2001; as applicable. If no evidence of chafing is found and clearance and support of the power cables is adequate, no further action is needed.

**Note 2:** For the purposes of this AD, a general visual inspection is defined as: "A visual examination of an interior or exterior area, installation, or assembly to detect obvious damage, failure, or irregularity. This level of inspection is made under normally available lighting conditions such as daylight, hangar lighting, flashlight, or drop-light, and may require removal or opening of access panels or doors. Stands, ladders, or platforms may be required to gain proximity to the area being checked."

(1) If no evidence of chafing is found, but clearance or support of the harness is inadequate: Prior to further flight, re-route the power cable for adequate clearance or provide additional support of the cable harness, as applicable, in accordance with Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD3 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3 SHERPA series airplanes), SD360 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3-60 SHERPA series airplanes), or SD360-30-26 (for Model SD3-60 series airplanes); all dated April 2, 2001; as applicable.

(2) If evidence of chafing is found, but there is no damage to the outer nylon protective cover resulting in exposure of the glass fiber braid: Prior to further flight, re-route the power cables for adequate clearance, in accordance with Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD3 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3 SHERPA series airplanes), SD360 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3-60 SHERPA series airplanes), or SD360-30-26 (for Model SD3-60 series airplanes); all dated April 2, 2001; as applicable.

(3) If evidence of chafing is found, and there is damage to the outer nylon protective cover resulting in exposure of the glass fiber braid: Prior to further flight, replace the damaged power cable with a new cable, in accordance with Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD3 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3 SHERPA series airplanes), SD360 SHERPA-30-2 (for Model SD3-60 SHERPA series airplanes), or SD360-30-26 (for Model SD3-60 series airplanes); all dated April 2, 2001; as applicable.

#### 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, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

**Note 3:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

#### 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 actions shall be done in accordance with Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD3 SHERPA-30-2, dated April 2, 2001; Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD360 SHERPA-30-2, dated April 2, 2001; and Short Brothers Service Bulletin SD360-30-26, dated April 2, 2001; 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 Short Brothers, Airworthiness & Engineering Quality, P.O. Box 241, Airport Road, Belfast BT3 9DZ, Northern Ireland. Copies may be inspected 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.

**Note 4:** The subject of this AD is addressed in British airworthiness directive 001-04-2001.

#### Effective Date

(e) This amendment becomes effective on March 27, 2002.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on February 7, 2002.

**Vi L. Lipski,**

*Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2001-NM-185-AD; Amendment 39-12656; AD 2002-03-15]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Model 328-100 and -300 Series Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain Dornier Model 328-100 and -300 series airplanes, that requires testing of the left- and right-hand potentiometer levers of the aileron flight control system, and follow-on or corrective action, as applicable. This amendment is necessary to prevent detachment of an aileron potentiometer lever, which could result in jamming of the elevator and/or aileron flight control systems and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane. This action is intended to address the identified unsafe condition.

**DATES:** Effective March 27, 2002.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of March 27, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from **Fairchild Dornier, Dornier Luftfahrt GmbH**, P.O. Box 1103, D-82230 Wessling, Germany. 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:** Tom Groves, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-1503; fax (425) 227-1149.

**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 Dornier Model 328-100 and -300 series airplanes was published in the **Federal Register** on September 25, 2001 (66 FR 48989). That action proposed to require testing of the left- and right-hand potentiometer levers of the aileron flight

control system, and follow-on or corrective action, as applicable.

#### Public 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.

#### Request To Revise Paragraph (c)(2) of the Proposed Rule

One commenter, the airplane manufacturer, states that a new potentiometer lever, having part number (P/N) 001A271A2062 002, has been developed and approved. The new lever prevents detachment of an aileron potentiometer lever, which could result in jamming of the elevator and/or aileron flight control systems. The FAA infers that the commenter is requesting that the FAA add the new lever P/N to paragraph (c) of the proposed rule.

The FAA agrees. We have revised paragraph (c)(1) and (c)(2) of the AD to permit operators to comply with the requirements of that paragraph by replacing the potentiometer lever with a new lever, P/N 001A271A2062 002, or with P/N 001A271A2062 000, which was the "new" lever P/N at the time the NPRM was issued. Although the lever P/Ns were not referred to in the NPRM, we have added them to the final rule to help clarify and differentiate the description of a "new" potentiometer lever. Paragraph (c)(2) of the final rule has also been revised to specify that operators may replace the potentiometer levers by using either the method provided by subparagraph (c)(2)(i) or (c)(2)(ii) of the final 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 with the changes described previously. The FAA has determined that these changes will neither increase the economic burden on any operator nor increase the scope of the AD.

#### Cost Impact

The FAA estimates that 89 Dornier Model 328-100 and -300 series airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD, that it will take approximately 2 work hours per airplane to accomplish the required test, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$10,680, or \$120 per airplane, per test cycle.

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. The cost impact figures discussed in AD rulemaking actions represent only the time necessary to perform the specific actions actually required by the AD. These figures typically do not include incidental costs, such as the time required to gain access and close up, planning time, or time necessitated by other administrative actions.

#### Regulatory Impact

The regulations adopted herein will 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. Therefore, it is determined that this final rule does not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

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:

##### 2002-03-15 Dornier Luftfahrt GMBH:

Amendment 39-12656. Docket 2001-NM-185-AD.

**Applicability:** Model 328-100 airplanes, serial numbers 3005 through 3119 inclusive, on which Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-27-319, dated June 26, 2000, or Revision 1, dated September 27, 2000, has been accomplished; and Model 328-300 series airplanes, serial numbers 3105 through 3184 inclusive; 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 (d) 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 detachment of the aileron potentiometer lever, which could result in jamming of the elevator and/or aileron flight control systems and reduced controllability of the airplane, accomplish the following:

#### Testing and Corrective Action

(a) Within 30 days after the effective date of this AD, test the left- and right-hand potentiometer levers of the aileron flight control system to determine whether, with the bolt in position and the clamping force across the splines relaxed, the levers can be pulled off the splined shaft, in accordance with the Dornier service bulletin listed in paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) *For Dornier Model 328-100 series airplanes:* Accomplishment Instructions, "Aileron System," of Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-27-359, dated March 29, 2001.

(2) *For Dornier Model 328-300 series airplanes:* Accomplishment Instructions, "Aileron System," of Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-27-064, Revision 1, dated April 12, 2001.

(b) If, as a result of the test required by paragraph (a) of this AD, any lever cannot be removed, before further flight, retighten the nut and bolt and replace the split pin, in accordance with the Dornier service bulletin listed in paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(c) If, as a result of the test required by paragraph (a) of this AD, any lever can be detached from the splined shaft, perform the actions specified in paragraph (c)(1) or (c)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) If a potentiometer lever having either part number (P/N) 001A271A2062 000 or

001A271A2062 002 is available from stock or from the airplane manufacturer, before further flight, replace the defective lever with a new lever having either P/N 001A271A2062 000 or 001A271A2062 002; in accordance with the Dornier service bulletin listed in paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable. After the installation of the new lever and before further flight, test the new lever as required in paragraph (a) of this AD.

(2) If a potentiometer lever is not available from stock or from the airplane manufacturer, before further flight, reassemble the existing lever with loctite, in accordance with the Dornier service bulletin listed in paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable and, within 4,000 flight hours or 24 months after the effective date of this AD, whichever comes first, replace the lever with a new lever having P/N 001A271A2062 000 or 001A271A2062 002; in accordance with a method specified in paragraph (c)(2)(i) or (c)(2)(ii) of this AD.

(i) In accordance with a method approved by either the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA; or the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt (LBA) (or its delegated agent).

(ii) In accordance with the Dornier service bulletin specified in paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

#### Alternative Methods of Compliance

(d) 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, International Branch, ANM-116. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

**Note 2:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

#### Special Flight Permits

(e) 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

(f) Except as provided by paragraph (c)(2)(i) of this AD, the actions shall be done in accordance with Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-27-359, dated March 29, 2001; or Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328J-27-064, Revision 1, dated April 12, 2001; 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 **Fairchild Dornier, Dornier Luftfahrt GmbH**, P.O. Box 1103, D-82230 Wessling, Germany. Copies may be inspected 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.

**Note 3:** The subject of this AD is addressed in German airworthiness directive 2001-167/2, dated June 28, 2001, and German airworthiness directive 2001-168, dated June 14, 2001.

#### Effective Date

(g) This amendment becomes effective on March 27, 2002.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on February 8, 2002.

**Ali Bahrami,**

*Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2000-NE-14-AD; Amendment 39-12650; AD 2002-03-09]

**RIN 2120-AA64**

#### **Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. (Formerly AlliedSignal Inc. and Textron Lycoming) LTS101 Series Turboshaft and LTP101 Series Turboprop Engines**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), that is applicable to Honeywell International Inc. (formerly AlliedSignal Inc. and Textron Lycoming) LTS101 series turboshaft and LTP101 series turboprop engines. This amendment requires a one-time visual inspection for surface finish and a one-time fluorescent penetrant inspection for cracks of certain impellers installed on LTS101 series turboshaft and LTP101 series turboprop engines. This amendment is prompted by a report of a machining discrepancy that may have occurred during manufacture of the affected impellers. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent impeller failure from cracks in the impeller back face area, which could result in an uncontained engine failure.

**DATES:** Effective date March 27, 2002.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of March 27, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Honeywell International Inc. Aerospace Services Attn.: Data Distribution, M/S 64-3/2101-201, PO

Box 29003, Phoenix, AZ 85038-9003; telephone (602) 365-2493, fax (602) 365-5577. This information may be examined, by appointment, at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; 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, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 3960 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, CA 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 AD that is applicable to Honeywell International Inc. (formerly AlliedSignal Inc. and Textron Lycoming) LTS101 series turboshaft and LTP101 series turboprop engines was published in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 2001 (66 FR 54463). That action proposed to require a one-time visual inspection for surface finish and a one-time fluorescent penetrant inspection for cracks of certain impellers installed on LTS101 series turboshaft and LTP101 series turboprop engines in accordance with AlliedSignal Service Bulletin (SB) LT 101-72-30-0186, dated October 1, 1999, or Honeywell International Inc. SB LT 101-72-30-0186, Revision 1, dated April 25, 2000.

#### **Comments**

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. No comments were received on the proposal or the FAA's determination of the cost to the public. The FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule as proposed.

#### **Economic Analysis**

The FAA estimates that 600 engines installed on aircraft of U.S. registry would be affected by this AD and that it would take approximately 4 work hours per engine to accomplish the inspection. The average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. There are no required parts costs. Based on these figures, the total cost effect of this AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$144,000.

#### **Regulatory Analysis**

This final rule does not have federalism implications, as defined in Executive Order 13132, because it would not have a substantial direct