- (2) For Model BAe 146–100A, –200A, and –300A series airplanes having constructors numbers identified in paragraph D.(1)(b) of the Planning Information section of the service bulletin: Inspect within 32 months after the effective date of this AD.
- (3) For Model BAe 146–100A, –200A, and –300A series airplanes and Avro 146–RJ70A, –85A, and –100A airplanes having constructors numbers identified in paragraph D.(1)(c) of the Planning Information section of the service bulletin: Inspect within 44 months after the effective date of this AD.
- (b) If no corrosion is detected, prior to further flight, restore the original protective treatment and apply additional surface protection to the attachment brackets, in accordance with British Aerospace Service Bulletin SB.55–15, dated April 14, 1997.
- (c) If any corrosion is detected and it is accessible, prior to further flight, blend out the corrosion, re-protect the blended areas, and apply additional surface protection to the attachment brackets in accordance with British Aerospace Service Bulletin SB.55–15, dated April 14, 1997.
- (d) If any corrosion is detected and it is not accessible, or if, after blending, the damage to the attachment brackets is found to be outside the limits identified in British Aerospace Service Bulletin SB.55–15, dated April 14, 1997, prior to further flight, repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate.
- (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, 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.

- (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.
- (g) The actions shall be done in accordance with British Aerospace Service Bulletin SB.55–15, dated April 14, 1997. 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 AI(R) American Support, Inc., 13850 Mclearen Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171. 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 British airworthiness directive 001–04–97 (undated).

(h) This amendment becomes effective on May 4, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on March 23, 1998.

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 98–8131 Filed 3–27–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 97-NM-108-AD; Amendment 39-10422; AD 98-07-04]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Dornier Model 328–100 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 series airplanes, that requires a one-time inspection for discrepancies of certain engine control cables, and replacement of the cables with new or serviceable control cables, if necessary. It also requires modification of the cable fairleads on the nose rib firewall. Additionally, this amendment requires modification of the mounting brackets of the control cable pulleys in the pulley box. This amendment is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a foreign civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent chafing of engine control cables, which could cause the cables to break and result in loss of engine control and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane. DATES: Effective May 4, 1998.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of May 4, 1998.

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 Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 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: Norman B. Martenson, Manager,

International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; 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 series airplanes was published in the **Federal Register** on January 22, 1998 (63 FR 3270). That action proposed to require a one-time inspection for discrepancies of certain engine control cables, and replacement of the cables with new or serviceable control cables, if necessary. That action also proposed to require modification of the cable fairleads on the nose rib firewall. Additionally, that action proposed to require modification of the mounting brackets of the control cable pulleys in the pulley box.

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

The FAA estimates that 59 Dornier Model 328–100 series airplanes of U.S. registry will be affected by this AD.

The actions specified in Dornier Service Bulletin SB–328–76–152 will be required to be accomplished on 56 Dornier Model 328–100 series airplanes of U.S. registry. It will take approximately 4 work hours per airplane to accomplish the required actions, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Required parts will be provided by the manufacturer at no cost to operators. Based on these figures, the cost impact of this action on the 56 affected U.S.-registered airplanes is estimated to be \$13,440, or \$240 per airplane.

The actions specified in Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-76-168 will be required to be accomplished on 29 Dornier Model 328-100 series airplanes of U.S. registry. It will take approximately 12 work hours per airplane to accomplish the required actions, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Required parts will be provided by the manufacturer at no cost to operators. Based on these figures, the cost impact of this action on the 29 affected U.S.-registered airplanes is estimated to be \$20,880, or \$720 per airplane.

The cost impact figures discussed above are 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: 98–07–04 DORNIER:

Amendment 39–10422. Docket 97-NM–108-AD.

Applicability: Model 328–100 series airplanes; as listed in Dornier Service Bulletins SB–328–76–152 and SB–328–76–168, both dated May 6, 1996; 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 chafing of engine control cables, which could cause the control cables to break and result in loss of engine control and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 90 days after the effective date of this AD, perform a one-time inspection to detect chafing or discrepancies of the engine control cables in the areas of the cable fairleads on the nose rib firewall, and the cable fairleads in the fuselage; in accordance with Dornier Service Bulletins SB–328–76–152 and SB–328–76–168, both dated May 6, 1996; respectively. If any discrepancy or chafing is found, prior to further flight, replace the damaged cables with new or serviceable cables in accordance with the applicable service bulletin.

(b) For airplanes listed in Dornier Service Bulletin SB–328–76–152, dated May 6, 1996: Prior to further flight following the inspection required in paragraph (a) of this AD, modify the cable fairleads on the nose rib firewall in accordance with the service bulletin.

(c) For airplanes listed in Dornier Service Bulletin SB–328–76–168, dated May 6, 1996: Prior to further flight following the inspection required in paragraph (a) of this AD, modify the mounting brackets of the control cable pulleys in the pulley box in accordance with the service bulletin.

(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, 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, 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.

(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.

(f) The actions shall be done in accordance with Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-76-152, dated May 6, 1996, and Dornier Service Bulletin SB-328-76-168, dated May 6, 1996. 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 directives 96–288 and 96–290, both dated October 10, 1996.

(g) This amendment becomes effective on May 4, 1998.

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Darrell M. Pederson,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 93-AWA-16]

RIN 2120-AA66

Modification of Class D Airspace South of Abbotsford, British Columbia (BC), on the United States Side of the U.S./ Canadian Border, and the Establishment of a Class C Airspace Area in the Vicinity of Point Roberts, Washington (WA)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. ACTION: Final rule; establishment of effective date.

SUMMARY: On November 5, 1997, the FAA delayed the effective date for modification of Class D airspace south of Abbotsford, British Columbia (BC), on the United States side of the U.S./ Canadian border, and the establishment of a Class C airspace area in the vicinity of Point Roberts, Washington (WA), as described in the final rule published in the Federal Register on August 28, 1997. That final rule was issued to assist Transport Canada in its efforts to reduce the risk of midair collision, enhance safety, and improve traffic flows within the Vancouver and Abbotsford, BC, International Airport Areas. This action