Other Information Related to the Proposed Merger

The directors of the participating credit unions carefully analyzed the assets and liabilities of the participating credit unions and appraised each credit union's share values. The appraisal of the share values appears on the attached individual and consolidated financial statements of the participating credit unions.

The directors of the participating credit unions have concluded that the proposed merger is desirable for the following reasons: (insert reasons) (If any of the reasons are related to the conversion from federal to nonfederal insurance, the proposed language must be submitted to the Regional Director for approval).

The Board of Directors of our credit union believes the merger should include/not include an adjustment in shares for the following reasons: (insert reasons)

The main office of the continuing credit union will be as follows: (insert location)

The branch office(s) of the continuing credit union will be as follows: (insert locations)

The merger must have the approval of a majority of members who vote on the proposal, provided at least 20 percent of the total membership participates in the voting.

Enclosed with this Notice of Special Meeting is a Ballot for Merger Proposal and Conversion to Nonfederally-insured Status. If you cannot attend the meeting, please complete the ballot and return it to (insert name of independent entity conducting vote) at (insert mailing address) by no later than (insert date and time). To be counted, your ballot must reach (insert name of independent entity conducting vote) by the date and time announced for the meeting.

By order of the board of directors. (signature of Board Presiding Officer) (insert name and title of Board Presiding Officer) (insert date)

(b) Form ballot:

Ballot for Merger Proposal and Conversion to Nonfederally-insured Status

Name of Member: (insert name)

Account Number: (insert account number)

The credit union must receive this ballot by (insert date and time for vote). Please mail or bring it to: (Insert name of independent entity and address)

I understand if the merger of conversion of the (insert name of merging credit union)into the (insert name of merging credit union is approved, the National Credit Union Administration share (deposit) insurance I now have, up to \$100,000, or possibly more if I use different accounts structures, will terminate upon the effective date of the conversion. Instead, my shares in the (insert name of credit union) will be insured up to \$(insert dollar amount) by (insert name of insurer), a corporation chartered by the State of (insert name of state). The federal insurance provided by the National Credit Union Administration is backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government. The private insurance provided by (insert name of insurer) is not.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT, IF THIS MERGER IS APPROVED AND THE (insert name of continuing credit union) FAILS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT I WILL GET MY MONEY BACK.

I vote on the proposal as follows (check one box):

[] Approve the merger and the conversion to private insurance and authorize the Board of Directors to take all necessary action to accomplish the merger and conversion.

[] DO NOT approve the merger and the conversion to private insurance. Signed

(Insert printed member's name)

Date:

(c) Form certification of vote:

Certification of Vote on Merger Proposal and Conversion to Nonfederally-insured Status of the (Insert name of merging credit union)

We, the undersigned officers of the (insert name of merging credit union), certify the completion of the following actions:

- 1. At a meeting on (insert date), the Board of Directors adopted a resolution approving the merger of our credit union with (insert name of continuing credit union).
- 2. Not more than 30 nor less than 7 days before the date of the vote, copies of the notice of special meeting and the ballot, as approved by the National Credit Union Administration, and a copy of the merger plan announced in the notice, were mailed to our members.
- 3. The credit union arranged for the conduct of a special meeting of our members at the time and place announced in the Notice to consider and act upon the proposed merger.
- 4. At the special meeting, the credit union arranged for an explanation of the merger proposal and any changes in federally-

insured status to the members present at the special meeting.

5. (insert name), an entity independent of the credit union, conducted the membership vote at the special meeting. At least 20 percent of our total membership voted and a majority of voting members favor the merger as follows:

(insert) Number of total members (insert) Number of members present at the special meeting

(insert) Number of members present who voted in favor of the merger

(insert) Number of members present who voted against the merger

(insert) Number of additional written ballots in favor of the merger

(insert) Number of additional written ballots opposed to the merger

6. The action of the members at the special meeting was recorded in the minutes.

This certification signed the (insert date): (signature of Board Presiding Officer) (insert typed name and title) (signature of Board Secretary) (insert typed name and title)

I (insert name), an officer of the (insert name of independent entity that conducted the vote), hereby certify that the information recorded in paragraph 5 above is accurate.

This certification signed the (insert date): (signature of officer of independent entity)(typed name, title, and phone number) [FR Doc. 04–17256 Filed 7–28–04; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2003-SW-51-AD] RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; MD Helicopters, Inc. Model 600N Helicopters

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for the MD Helicopters, Inc. Model 600N helicopters. The AD would require replacing the fuselage Station 75 control support bracket assembly (control support bracket), reducing the life limit, and revising the Limitations section of the applicable maintenance manual to state the reduced life limits on certain serial-numbered helicopters. This proposal is prompted by information received from the manufacturer indicating that the fatigue life of the control support bracket is shorter than the original analysis indicated. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent failure of the control support bracket

and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 27, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2003–SW–51–AD, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137. You may also send comments electronically to the Rules Docket at the following address: 9-asw-adcomments@faa.gov. Comments may be inspected at the Office of the Regional Counsel between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Guerin, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, Airframe Branch, 3960 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, California 90712, telephone (562) 627–5232, fax (562) 627–5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this document may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their mailed comments submitted in response to this proposal must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 2003–SW–51–AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Discussion

This document proposes adopting a new AD for MD Helicopters, Inc. Model

600N helicopters. The AD would require replacing the control support bracket assembly, part number (P/N) 369N2608-11, on helicopters that have a yaw stability augmentation system (YSAS) installed, with an airworthy assembly, P/N 600N2608-1. The revised time limits are dependent upon the time the YSAS was initially installed. Revising the applicable maintenance manual to state the reduced life limits would also be required. This proposal is prompted by information received from the manufacturer indicating that the fatigue life of the control support bracket is shorter than the original analysis indicated for those models in which a YSAS is installed. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent failure of the control support bracket and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

The FAA has reviewed MD Helicopters, Inc. Service Bulletin No. SB600N–040, dated September 18, 2003, which describes the revised finite life for the control support bracket on certain serial-numbered helicopters, and requiring replacing them upon reaching the revised life limit, or no later than November 30, 2005, whichever occurs first

This unsafe condition is likely to exist or develop on other helicopters of the same type design. Therefore, the proposed AD would require replacing the control support bracket before it reaches a certain number of hours time-in-service, or no later than November 30, 2005, whichever occurs first.

The FAA estimates that this proposed AD would affect 13 helicopters of U.S. registry, and replacing the control support bracket would take approximately 40 work hours per helicopter to accomplish at an average labor rate of \$65 per work hour. Required parts would cost approximately \$5,617 per helicopter. Based on these figures, the total cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators would be \$106,821 to replace the control support bracket on each helicopter in the fleet.

The regulations proposed herein 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. Therefore, it is determined that this proposal would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that 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); and (3) if promulgated, 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 copy of the economic evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

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 adding a new airworthiness directive to read as follows:

MD Helicopters, Inc.: Docket No. 2003–SW–51–AD.

Applicability: Model 600N helicopters, serial numbers with a prefix of "RN" and numbers 025, 029, 032, 034 through 038, 040, 041, 045, 048, or 067; or, any Model 600N helicopter with a yaw stability augmentation system (YSAS) installed, and with a control support bracket assembly, part number (P/N) 369N2608–11, installed, certificated in any category.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent failure of the fuselage Station 75 control support bracket assembly (control support bracket) and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter, accomplish the following:

(a) Replace the control support bracket, part number 369N2608–11, with an airworthy control support bracket assembly, P/N 600N2608–1, no later than November 30, 2005, or by the time the helicopter reaches the hours time-in-service (TIS) listed in the chart below, whichever occurs first:

Helicopter serial number	Revised finite life (TIS)
RN025	2556
RN029	2377
RN032	2498
RN034	2456
RN035	2243
RN036	2652
RN037	2544

Helicopter serial number	Revised finite life (TIS)
RN038	2531 2562 2763 2015 2125 1600

Note: MD Helicopters, Inc. Service Bulletin No. SB600N–040, dated September 18, 2003, pertains to the subject of this AD.

- (b) For helicopters with a YSAS installed that are not listed in the previous table, replace the control support bracket, P/N 369N2608–11, with an airworthy control support bracket, P/N 600N2608–1, no later than November 30, 2005, or by the time the helicopter reaches 1,600 hours TIS since the installation of the YSAS.
- (c) For helicopters with no YSAS installed, but with a control support bracket, P/N 369N26080–11, installed, replace the control support bracket, with an airworthy control support bracket, P/N 600N2608–1, prior to the installation of a YSAS.
- (d) This AD revises the Limitations section of the applicable maintenance manual by reducing the life limit of the control support bracket assembly, part number 369N2608–11, to the life limits stated in paragraph (a) of this AD or to 1,600 hours TIS, whichever occurs first.
- (e) To request a different method of compliance or a different compliance time for this AD, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Contact the Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, for information about previously approved alternative methods of compliance.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on July 14, 2004.

David A. Downey,

Manager, Rotorcraft Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2004-18606; Directorate Identifier 2004-CE-17-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Inc. Model (Otter) DHC-3 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD) for all Bombardier Inc. Model (Otter) DHC–3 airplanes that have been modified by

524085 BC, Ltd. Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) Number ST01243NY. This proposed AD would require you to replace the existing Viking Air Ltd. elevator servo tab assembly with a redesigned Viking Air Ltd. elevator servo tab assembly. This proposed AD is the result of mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) issued by the airworthiness authority for Canada. There has been one failure of the elevator servo tab assembly. We are issuing this proposed AD to prevent the structural failure of the elevator servo tab. This failure could lead to loss of control of the airplane.

DATES: We must receive any comments on this proposed AD by September 21, 2004

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following to submit comments on this proposed AD:

- DOT Docket web site: Go to http://dms.dot.gov and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- Government-wide rulemaking web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL–401, Washington, DC 20590–
 - Fax: 1-202-493-2251.
- Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

You may get the service information identified in this proposed AD from Bombardier Inc., Regional Aircraft, 123 Garratt Boulevard, Downsview, Ontario, Canada M3K 1Y5.

You may view the comments to this proposed AD in the AD docket on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Lawson, Aerospace Engineer, ANE–171, New York Aircraft Certification Office, 1600 Stewart Ave., Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone: 516–228–7327; facsimile: 516–794–5531.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

How do I comment on this proposed AD? We invite you to submit any written relevant data, views, or arguments regarding this proposal. Send your comments to an address listed under ADDRESSES. Include the docket number, "FAA-2004-18606; Directorate Identifier, 2004-CE-17-AD" at the beginning of your comments. We will post all comments we receive, without

change, to http://dms.dot.gov, including any personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact with FAA personnel concerning this proposed rulemaking. Using the search function of our docket web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual who sent the comment (or signed the comment on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). This is docket number FAA-2004-18606. You may review the DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477–78) or you may visit http:// dms.dot.gov.

Are there any specific portions of this proposed AD I should pay attention to? We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this proposed AD. If you contact us through a nonwritten communication and that contact relates to a substantive part of this proposed AD, we will summarize the contact and place the summary in the docket. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposed AD in light of those comments and contacts.

Docket Information

Where can I go to view the docket information? You may view the AD docket that contains the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person at the DMS Docket Offices between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. (eastern standard time), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Office (telephone 1–800– 647–5227) is located on the plaza level of the Department of Transportation NASSIF Building at the street address stated in ADDRESSES. You may also view the AD docket on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov. The comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after the DMS receives them.

Discussion

What events have caused this proposed AD? Transport Canada, which is the airworthiness authority for Canada, recently notified FAA that an unsafe condition may exist on certain Bombardier Inc. Model (Otter) DHC–3 airplanes that incorporate 524085 BC, Ltd. STC Number ST01243NY. Transport Canada reports one incident of structural failure of the elevator servo tab balance assembly.

What is the potential impact if FAA took no action? Vibration may cause structural failure of the elevator servo