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TAIKUSEI-KAIZEN-TSUHO

Airworthiness Directive

The undermentioned examinations or modifications are mandatory.

1. Applies to : Kawasaki-Hughes 369HS and 369D helicopters

2. Compliance is required as indicated, unless already accomplished.

To prevent the loss of a tail rotor blade and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter, accomplish the following.

2.1 Before next flight after the effective date of this AD, inspect each tail rotor blade for a smooth radius in accordance with paragraph 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 of this AD.

2.1.1 Remove the tail rotor blade assembly in accordance with paragraph 9.(1) through (3) of Kawasaki Service Bulletin No.KSB-369-339 or KSB-369D-235 dated May 7, 2007, as applicable to aircraft type, or later JCAB approved revisions(hereinafter, referred as SB).

2.1.2 Using a bright light, inspect the bore of the tail rotor blade root fitting in accordance with paragraph 9.(4) and Figure2 of SB.

2.2 Before next flight after the inspection of paragraph 2.1 of this AD, Replace each blade assembly that does not have a smooth radius in accordance with paragraph 9.(4) b of SB.

2.3 Before next flight after the accomplishment of paragraph 2.1 and 2.2 of this AD, identify the airworthy tail rotor blade assembly with the applicable model of helicopter in accordance with paragraph 9.(5) and Figure3 of SB.

2.4 An alternative means of compliance with this AD may be used, if approved by the Director-General of JCAB.

3. Remarks

3.1 This AD becomes effective on May 12, 2007.

3.2 Kawasaki Service Bulletin No.KSB-369-339 and KSB-369D-235 dated May 7, 2007 and later JCAB approved revisions pertain to this subject.