AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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Inspection and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive.

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité' ref. : 2001-362(B)
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A319/A320/A321 aircraft

Navigation system - Pitot probes (ATA 34)

APPLICABILITY:

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A319, A320 and A321 all certified models, all serial numbers except aircraft having received AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 25998 in production or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletins A320-34-1127 in service.

Aircraft equipped with BFGOODRICH (previously NEW ROSEMOUNT) pitot probes P/N 0851HL in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-34-1170 (modification AIRBUS INDUSTRIE 25578) are not concerned by this Airworthiness Directive (AD).

REASON:

Operators have reported that during flights in extreme weather conditions (heavy precipitation, severe freezing conditions) several cases of quick variations of anemometric indication (CAS, TAS and MACH).

ACTIONS:

The following measures are rendered mandatory from the effective date of this AD.

Unless already accomplished, within 24 months following the effective date of this AD, replace THALES (Previously SEXTANT) pitot probes P/N 50620-10 by new THALES pitot probes P/N C16195AA in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-34-1127.

REF.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-34-1127

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-34-1170 (any further approved revision of these SB's is acceptable).

EFFECTIVE DATE: AUGUST 18, 2001

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