

COMMENT RESPONSE DOCUMENT

EASA PAD No. 20-140

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Comment # 1

Applicability paragraph stating that this PAD (AD) is applicable to "AS 332 C, AS 332 C1, AS 332 L, AS 332 L1, AS 332 L2 and EC 225 LP helicopters, all manufacturer serial numbers except helicopters that have embodied AH modification OP25954 (Metro Door installation)".

By reviewing the contents of this PAD and ASB No. EC225-11A002, it is found applicable to AS332 and EC225 helicopters fitted with Sliding Doors only. However, there are some EC225LP helicopters in service installed with Stairway Doors.

Therefore, I would like to suggest that the PAD should clearly identify the applicability as "helicopters installed with Sliding Doors only".

I hope this will avoid confusion to the operators for evaluating and accomplishing the AD when it is released.

I have also communicated this information to Airbus Helicopters against ASB No. EC225-11A002 in order to revise the ASB effectivity and waiting for their response.

EASA response:

Comment agreed. The Applicability of the revised PAD updated accordingly, making the PAD applicable to helicopters equipped with a plug door having Part Number 332A221301.XX or 332A251406.XX, where XX represents any number.