



Notification of a Proposal to cancel an Airworthiness Directive

PAD No.: 24-059-CN

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Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) Cancellation Notice (CN) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 on behalf of the European Union, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 129 of that Regulation.

In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the cancellation of an EASA Airworthiness Directive (AD), applicable to the aeronautical product(s) identified below.

All interested persons may send their comments, referencing the PAD Number above, to the e-mail address specified in the 'Remarks' section, prior to the consultation date indicated.

Design Approval Holder's Name:

ROLLS-ROYCE plc

Type/Model designation(s):

Trent XWB engines

Effective Date: [AD-CN issue date]

TCDS Number(s): EASA.E.111

Foreign AD: Not applicable

Cancellation: This Notification proposes to cancel EASA AD 2016-0242 dated 07 December 2016.

ATA 72 – CANCELLED: Engine – Low Pressure Compressor Case Support Inboard Pins, Dowels and Bolts – Inspection / Replacement

Manufacturer(s):

Rolls-Royce plc (RR)

Applicability:

RR Trent XWB-75, Trent XWB-79, Trent XWB-79B and Trent XWB-84 engines, serial numbers as listed in Appendix 1 of Alert Non-Modification Service Bulletin (NMSB) TRENT XWB 72-AJ443 dated 30 August 2016.

These engines are known to be installed on, but not limited to, Airbus A350 aeroplanes.

Definitions:

For the purpose of this AD, the following definitions apply:

None.



Reason:

It has been established that a certain population of low pressure (LP) compressor case support pins and hollow dowels have insufficient material properties and do not meet specification requirements.

This condition, if not corrected, could result in loss of core to fan case concentricity, LP compressor blade rubs and possible blade release, or engine under cowl fire.

To address this unsafe condition, RR published Alert NMSB TRENT XWB 72-AJ443 to provide instructions to inspect and replace the affected non-conforming components. Prompted by this development EASA issued AD 2016-0242 to require a one-time on-wing or in-shop visual identification of LP compressor case support inboard pins, replacement of certain pins, and replacement of the affected outboard hollow dowels, nuts and bolts.

Since that AD was issued RR confirmed that all the affected engine population was inspected and, depending on findings corrected, and that the addressed unsafe condition does not exist anymore.

For the reasons described above, this Notice proposes to cancel EASA AD 2016-0242.

Required Action(s) and Compliance Time(s):

None.

Ref. Publications:

RR Alert NMSB TRENT XWB 72-AJ443 original issue dated 30 August 2016.

Remarks:

1. This PAD-CN will be closed for consultation on 26 June 2024.
2. Enquiries regarding this PAD-CN should be referred to the EASA Safety Information Section, Certification Directorate. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu.
3. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this PAD-CN, please contact your designated Rolls-Royce representative, or download the publication from your Rolls-Royce Care account at <https://customers.rolls-royce.com>.

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or send an email through http://www.rolls-royce.com/contact/civil_team.jsp identifying the correspondence as being related to **Airworthiness Directives**.

