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Subject: Aeroshell Ascender Oil Type – Removal from the List of Oil

Types Approved for Rolls-Royce Trent XWB Engines

Ref. Publications:

Rolls-Royce Notice to Operators (NTO) 336 issue 01 dated 19 August 2024.
Rolls-Royce Engine Oils Manual ROLLSROYCEOILS-EOMC-12-10-00-00000-212K-D issue 008 dated 14 August 2024.

Applicability:

Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG Trent XWB-75, Trent XWB-79, Trent XWB-79B, Trent XWB-84 and Trent XWB-97 engines, all serial numbers.

Description:

Investigation accomplished by Rolls-Royce showed that using Aeroshell Ascender oil type on Rolls-Royce engines leads to reduction in differential oil pressure (Poil) compared to other approved oil types. For Trent XWB-84 and Trent XWB-97 engines the margin of the Poil Amber Line is insufficient to tolerate the impact of this reduction and, therefore, the engine operation above the Poil Amber Line in all operating conditions cannot be ensured. Operating below the Amber Limit may lead to fire in the bearing chamber which could lead to engine shutdown.

Prompted by this development, Rolls-Royce issued NTO 336 announcing update of Rolls-Royce Engine Oils Manual ROLLSROYCEOILS-EOMC-12-10-00-00000-212K-D removing Aeroshell Ascender oil type from the list of approved oils for Trent XWB-84 and Trent XWB-97.

At this time, the safety concern described in this SIB is not considered to be an unsafe condition that would warrant Airworthiness Directive (AD) action under Commission Regulation (EU) 748/2012, Part 21.A.3B.

Recommendation(s):

Operators of Trent XWB engine series are recommended to review the updated Rolls-Royce Engine Oils Manual ROLLSROYCEOILS-EOMC-12-10-00-00000-212K-D issue 008 dated 14 August 2024 (or later approved revisions) and operate the engine accordingly.

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