EASA AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE AD No.: 2006-0050 Date: 17 February 2006 No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry. **Type Approval Holder's Name:** Type/Model designation(s): **AIRBUS SAS** A340-500/-600 aircraft TCDS Number: EASA.A.015 Foreign AD: Not applicable Supersedure: None Electric installation - Modification of electrical bundles routing in **ATA 92** vellow and blue hydraulic compartments **AIRBUS SAS** Manufacturer(s): Applicability: AIRBUS A340-500 and A340-600 aircraft, all certified models, all serial numbers, except those which have received in service AIRBUS Service Bulletin (SB) A340-92-5026 or in production: - AIRBUS modification 54469 and - AIRBUS modification 54032, for those equipped with ABEX/PARKER hydraulic pumps installed by AIRBUS modification 47949. Note: Aircraft equipped with hydraulic pumps EATON/VICKERS installed by AIRBUS modification 51476, are not concerned by AIRBUS modification 54032 but concerned by AIRBUS modification 54469. Reason: Reports from operators and safety analyses conducted by the manufacturer have revealed that the electrical bundles which supply the flight control, fuel and hydraulic systems have insufficient clearances with the surrounding structure in the yellow and blue hydraulic compartments. In order to comply with regulatory certification requirements, the installation instructions specify that all electrical bundles must be spaced at least 25 mm (0.98 in) from a hydraulic pipe or the surrounding structure liable to contain a flammable fluid.

	If excessive chafing with the structure should alter an electrical bundle, this situation, if not corrected, could lead to the forming of an electric arc causing a potential risk of fire in these zones.
Effective Date:	01 March 2006
Compliance:	 Unless already accomplished, the following measures are rendered mandatory from the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive (AD): Not later than December 31, 2007, according to the configuration of the aircraft, modify, in the yellow and blue hydraulic compartments, the routing of the electrical bundles including the supports and tubular supports which hold them in accordance with the instructions of SB A340-92-5026.
Ref. Publications:	AIRBUS Service Bulletin A340-92-5026 or later approved revisions.
Remarks:	 If requested and appropriately substantiated the responsible EASA manager for the related product has the authority to accept Alternative Method of Compliance (AMOCs) for this AD. This AD was posted as PAD 05-028 for consultation on 22 December 2005 with a comment period until 26 January 2006. No comment was received. Enquiries regarding this AD should be addressed to Mr. M. Capaccio, AD Focal Point, Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail ADs@easa.eu.int. For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact AIRBUS SAS - (Airworthiness Office, Ph.: + 33 5 61 93 36 96;Fax: + 33 5 61 93 44 51).