#### EASA

## **AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE**

#### AD No.: 2013-0034

#### Date: 19 February 2013

Note: This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued by EASA, acting in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 on behalf of the European Community, its Member States and of the European third countries that participate in the activities of EASA under Article 66 of that Regulation.

This AD is issued in accordance with EU 748/2012, Part 21.A.3B. In accordance with EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an AD applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that AD, unless otherwise specified by the Agency [EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].

Design Approval Holder's Name :	
HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL, INC.	

### **Type/Model designation(s) :** TPE331 engines

TCDS Numbers : USA E3WE, E4WE

Foreign AD: FAA AD <u>2006-15-08</u> , dated 20 July 2006.	
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Supersedure:This AD deviates from and thereby replaces (State of Design) FAA AD 2006-15-08for affected engines, installed on aeroplanes registered in EASA Member States.

ATA 73	Engine Fuel & Control – Woodward Fuel Control Unit – Inspection / Repair / Replacement
Manufacturer(s):	Honeywell International, Inc. (formerly AlliedSignal Inc., Garrett Engine Division; Garrett Turbine Engine Company; and AiResearch Manufacturing Company of Arizona).
Applicability:	TPE331 series turboprop engines, identified by Model in Appendix 1 of this AD, all serial numbers.
	These engines are known to be installed on, but not limited to, aeroplanes listed in Appendix 2 of this AD.
Reason:	In June 2006, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), State of Design authority for Honeywell International Inc. TPE331 series turboprop engines, issued AD 2006-15-08 for engines with certain Woodward fuel control unit (FCU) assemblies installed.
	The AD was prompted by reports of loss of the fuel control drive, leading to engine overspeed, over-torque, over-temperature, and asymmetric thrust in multi-engine airplanes.
	This condition, if not detected and corrected, could result in uncontained rotor failure, damage to the aeroplane and injury to occupants.
	To address this unsafe condition, the FAA AD required initial and repetitive dimensional inspections of the fuel control drive to detect wear or damage and, depending on findings, repair or replacement of the FCU. The AD also required, for multi-engine aeroplanes, replacement of all affected FCU assemblies with modified FCU assemblies, which would constitute terminating action for the repetitive inspections. In August 2006, EASA adopted FAA 2006-15-08 for the

	affected engines, installed on aeroplanes registered in EASA Member States.		
	Since that AD was issued, the FAA determined that additional FCU assembly		
	P/Ns are affected, and that the compliance deadline (31 December 2012) and assembly replacement after removal for cause or overhaul are no longer required. After reviewing all available information, the FAA decided to eliminate the existing compliance deadline and to no longer require modifying the FCU. In addition, initial and repetitive inspections of the fuel control drive have proven to be effective in preventing spline failures, and those requirements are to be retained. The FAA also determined that cautionary information and procedures are needed to inform the operator of the probable engine responses and operating instructions following a loss of drive between the engine driven fuel pump and fuel control governor system. These engine responses are dependent on the phase of operation (ground engine start, ground or flight operations).		
	Based on these findings, the FAA informed EASA of their intention to issue a new AD, superseding FAA AD 2006-15-08. EASA supports the findings and decisions of the FAA, but at this time it is not known when that new FAA AD will be finalised.		
	For the reasons described above, this AD retains only the repetitive inspections (including corrective actions, depending on findings) as required by FAA AD 2006-15-08, which is hereby replaced, i.e. no longer considered 'adopted by EASA', expands the number of affected FCU to be inspected, and incorporates installation of modified FCU as an optional terminating action.		
	This AD also requires insertion of uncommanded engine overspeed procedures into the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM), Pilot Operating Handbook (POH), or Manufacturer's Operating Manual (MOM) and adds P/Ns of affected FCU assemblies. This AD no longer requires modification of an FCU that is removed for cause.		
Effective Date:	19 February 2013		
Required Action(s)	Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:		
and Compliance Time(s):	(1) Definitions for the purposes of this AD:		
	(1.1) An "affected FCU assembly" is an FCU assembly with a Part Number (P/N) listed in Appendix 1 of this AD.		
	(1.2) The "fuel control drive" is a series of mating splines located between the fuel pump and fuel control governor. The fuel control drive consists of the following four drive splines: the fuel pump internal spline, the fuel control external "quill shaft" spline, and the stub shaft internal and external splines.		
	(2) Within 30 days after the effective date of this AD, determine whether an affected FCU assembly, as identified by P/N in Appendix 1 of this AD, is installed in the engine. If an affected P/N FCU is installed, amend the Emergency Procedures Section of the applicable AFM, POH, or MOM, as applicable, by inserting a copy of Appendix 3 of this AD. Also, provide this information to maintenance personnel that operate the engine.		
	Honeywell Operating Information Letter OI331-12R6 (multi-engine aeroplanes) and Operating Information Letter OI331-18R4 (single-engine aeroplane), as applicable, contain further information related to this requirement.		
	(3) Initial inspection for affected FCU, identified in Groups 2 and 4 as specified in Appendix 1 of this AD:		
	At the next scheduled inspection of the fuel control drive, or within 500 engine hours (EH), whichever occurs first after the effective date of this AD, accomplish a dimensional inspection of the fuel control drive for wear		

	or dar	nage.		
(4)	specif in Tab	Initial inspection for affected FCU, identified in Groups 1, 3 and 5 as specified in Appendix 1 of this AD: Within the compliance time as specified in Table 1 of this AD, accomplish a dimensional inspection of the fuel control drive for wear or damage.		
Note 1: Information on spline inspection can be found in Section 72-00-00 applicable Engine Maintenance Manual.			of the	
	Table 1 – Group 1, 3 and 5 FCU Initial Inspection			
		Compliance time (whichever or	ccurs later, A or B)	
	A	At the next scheduled inspection within 1 000 engine hours (EH), 24 August 2006 [the effective da	whichever occurs first after	
	В	within 50 EH after the effective d	late of this AD	
(5)	(5) Repetitive inspections for affected FCU, identified in Groups 2 and 4 as specified in Appendix 1 of this AD: Before exceeding 1 000 EH after the initial inspection as required by paragraph (3) of this AD, and, thereafte intervals not to exceed 1 000 EH, accomplish a dimensional inspection the fuel control drive for wear or damage.			he ter, at
(6)	-			time
		Table 2 – Group 1, 3 and 5 FCU	First Repeat Inspection	
	last	<b>Accumulated by the FCU since</b> <b>fuel control drive inspection</b> he effective date of this AD)	Compliance time	
	950	EH or more	Within 50 EH after the effective date of this AD	
	Less	than 950 EH	Within 1 000 EH since the last fuel control drive inspection	
(7)	the dir before	ing any inspection as required by t mensional inspection, before relea e next flight, as applicable, repair o eable fuel pump.	se to service of the engine, or	r
(8)	dimen next fl	ing any inspection as required by t sional inspection, before release t ight, as applicable, repair or replac eable FCU assembly.	o service of the engine, or be	fore
(9)	FCU a consti parag of the engine	cement of an affected FCU assem assembly, having a P/N not listed i tutes terminating action for the rep raph (5) or (6) of this AD, as applic engine or, for a multi-engine aerop es, the AFM change as required by red from the AFM (or POH or MON lane.	n Appendix 1 of this AD, betitive inspections as required cable. Concurrent with modific plane, modification of both y paragraph (2) of this AD ma	d by cation ly be
	Repla	cement of an FCU can be accomp	lished in accordance with the	

	<ul> <li>instructions of Honeywell Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) No. TPE331-A73- 0271, Revision 3, or ASB No. TPE331-A73-0262, Revision 3, or ASB No. TPE331-A73-0254, Revision 2, as applicable to the affected FCU and engine (see Appendix 1 of this AD).</li> <li>(10) From the effective date of this AD, installation of an affected FCU</li> </ul>
	assembly on any TPE331 engine is allowed, provided that, after installation, the engine is inspected and, depending on findings, corrected as required by this AD.
Ref. Publications:	Honeywell ASB No. TPE331-A73-0271, Revision 3, dated January 12, 2009.
	Honeywell ASB No. TPE331-A73-0262, Revision 3, dated January 12, 2009.
	Honeywell ASB No. TPE331-A73-0254, Revision 2, dated June 17, 2005.
	Honeywell Operating Information Letter OI331-12R6, dated 26 May 2009.
	Honeywell Operating Information Letter OI331-18R4, dated 26 May 2009.
Remarks :	<ol> <li>If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Based on the required actions and the compliance time, EASA have decided to issue a Final AD with Request for Comments, postponing the public consultation process until after publication.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Executive Directorate, EASA. E-mail: <u>ADs@easa.europa.eu</u>.</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this AD, please contact: <u>Honeywell International Inc.</u>, Technical Data Distribution, 111 South 34th Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85034-2802, United States of America; Telephone: 800-601-3099 (US/Canada) or +1 602-365-3099 (International).</li> </ol>

Group:	Affected Woodward FCU P/N:	Installed on Engines :	Honeywell ASB :	
		TPE331-1, TPE331-2, and TPE331-2UA	TPE331-A73- 0271, Revision 3, dated January 12, 2009	
2	869199-9, 869199-10, 869199-11, 869199-12, 869199-14, 869199-16, 869199-17, and 869199-18.			
3	893561-7, 893561-8, 893561-9, 893561-10, 893561-11, 893561-14, 893561-15, 893561-16, 893561-20, 893561-26, 893561-27, and 893561-29.	TPE331-3U, TPE331-3UW, TPE331-5, TPE331-5A,		
3 897770-1, 897770-3, 897770-7, 897770-9, 897770-10, 897770-11, 897770-12, 897770-14, 897770-15, 897770-16, 897770-25, 897770-26, and 897770-28.		TPE331-5AB, TPE331-5B, TPE331-6, TPE331-6A, TPE331-10AV, TPE331-10GP, TPE331-10GT, TPE331-10P, and TPE331-10T	TPE331-A73-0262, Revision 3, dated January 12, 2009	
4	893561-4, 893561-5, 893561-12, and 893561-13.			
	897770-5, 897770-8, and 897770-13.			
	897375-2, 897375-3, 897375-4, 897375-5, 897375-8, 897375-9, 897375-10, 897375-11, 897375-12, 897375-13, 897375-14, 897375-15, 897375-16, 897375-17, 897375-19, 897375-21, 897375-24, 897375-25, 897375-26, and 897375-27.			
5         897780-1, 897780-2, 897780-3, 897780-4, 897780-5, 897780-6, 897780-7, 897780-8, 897780-9, 897780-10, 897780-11, 897780-14, 897780-15, 897780-16, 897780-17, 897780-18, 897780-19, 897780-20, 897780-21, 897780-22, 897780-23, 897780-24, 897780-25, 897780-26, 897780-27, 897780-30, 897780-32, 897780-34, 897780-36, 897780-37, and 897780-38.		TPE331-10, TPE331-10R, TPE331-10U, TPE331-10UA, TPE331-10UF, TPE331-10UG, TPE331-10UGR, TPE331-10UR, TPE331-11U, TPE331-12JR, TPE331-12UA, TPE331-12UAR, and TPE331-12UHR	TPE331-A73-0254, Revision 2, dated June 17, 2005	
	893561-17, 893561-18, and 893561-19.			

Note 1: At the time of issuance of this AD, the following engine Models have not been validated in Europe: TPE331-2UA, TPE331-3U, TPE331-5AB, TPE331-6A, TPE331-10AV, TPE331-10GP, TPE331-10GT, TPE331-10P, TPE331-10T, TPE331-10UG, TPE331-12UA and TPE331-12UAR.

Note 2: The P/Ns identified as Group 2 and Group 4 are in addition to those listed in FAA AD 2006-15-08.

TC holder (manufacturer)	Type(s)	
Allied Ag Cat Productions (formerly Schweizer, Grumman)	G-164 series	
BAE Systems (formerly British Aerospace, Scottish Aviation, Handley Page)	Jetstream 31 and 32 series, HP.137 Jetstream Mk.1	
EADS CASA (formerly CASA)	C-212 series	
Hawker Beechcraft (formerly Raytheon, Beech Aircraft Corporation)	B100, C90 and E90	
M7 Aerospace (formerly Fairchild, Swearingen)	SA226, SA227 series	
Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (Mitsubishi Aircraft International)	MU-2B series	
Pilatus Aircraft (incl. Fairchild production)	PC-6/C series	
Polskie Zaklady Lotnicze	PZL M18 series	
RUAG (formerly Fairchild-Dornier, Dornier Luftfahrt)	Dornier 228 series	
Short Brothers plc	SC7 (Skyvan) series	
Thrush Aircraft, Inc. (formerly Ayres, Rockwell)	S-2R series	
Twin Commander (formerly Gulfstream, Rockwell)	680, 690 and 695 series	

# Appendix 2 – TPE331 engines are known to be installed on, **but not limited to**, the following Aeroplanes:

	Loss of Fuel Control Drive Procedures
Pr	ocedure #1:
	WARNING
Oľ un	a fuel control drive fails during ground engine starts with the propeller N the start locks, the engine will experience a rapid uncommanded, acontrolled acceleration to an overspeed condition sufficient to cause a uncontained separation of high speed rotating components.
	APID, UNCOMMANDED ACCELERATION DURING ENGINE FART (Propeller ON Start Locks)
1.	Engine Start – Abort Immediately
	WARNING
ro	o not attempt a re-start until after inspecting the fuel control drive and tating components in accordance with the applicable maintenance anual.
Pr	ocedure #2:
	WARNING
pro un ter lim av inc thr wh low	a fuel control drive fails during ground or flight operations with the opeller OFF the start locks, the engine will experience a rapid acommanded, uncontrolled increase in RPM, torque and/or turbine mperature (the engine may exceed RPM, torque and/or temperature hits) and increased forward thrust. Reverse thrust will not be railable. For multi-engine airplanes an uncommanded fuel flow crease on only one engine could result in significant asymmetric rust. Therefore, an uncontrolled fuel flow increase is most serious hen it occurs to one engine with the opposite engine at a relatively w power setting, such as during an approach or during the landing llout. Carefully identify failed engine.
	APID, UNCOMMANDED INCREASE IN THRUST (Propeller OFF art Locks)
1.	Identify Malfunctioning Engine (multi-engine aircraft) – Cross check for high torque, RPM, fuel flow, and turbine temperatures
2.	Power – Reduce as required to maintain limits
3.	If limits cannot be maintained or engine is non-responsive, shut engine down as soon as possible consistent with safe operation of the airplane.
	WARNING
ro	o not attempt a re-start until after inspecting the fuel control drive and tating components in accordance with the applicable maintenance anual.