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NOTIFICATION OF A PROPOSAL TO ISSUE AN AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE



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Note: This Proposed Airworthiness Directive (PAD) 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.

In accordance with the EASA Continuing Airworthiness Procedures, the Executive Director is proposing the issuance 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 closing date indicated.

Design Approval Holder's Name: TURBOMECA		Type/Model designation(s): MAKILA 2 engines
TCDS Number:	EASA.E.006	
Foreign AD:	Not applicable	
Supersedure:	None	
ATA 77	Fuel System – High Pressure Fuel Pump Drive Splines – Inspection	
Manufacturer(s):	Turbomeca, S.A.	
Applicability:	MAKILA 2A and MAKILA 2A1 engines, all serial numbers. These engines are known to be installed on, but not limited to, Eurocopter EC 225 LP helicopters.	
Reason:	Two uncommanded in-flight shutdowns on MAKILA 2A/2A1 engines have been reported. The results of the technical investigations concluded that these events were caused by deterioration of the splines on the High Pressure (HP) fuel pump drive link, which eventually interrupted the fuel supply to the engine. This condition, if not detected and corrected, could lead to further cases of	
	uncommanded engine in-flight shutdown, and may ultimately lead to an emergency landing	
	298 73 2818 (Versions A threspline coupling area and repthe damage of HP fuel pumpnew fuel pump drive shaft was This modification, available fimproves lubrication and limithe Module 01 drive gear. To Service Bulletin (MSB) N° 28	es, Turbomeca published Service Bulletin (SB) N° ough D), to recommend inspection of the specific orting any damage. Turbomeca's understanding of drive link splines improved and, consequently, a last developed (Turbomeca modification TU 59). For in-service application via SB N° 298 73 2059, its axial displacement of the HP pump drive shaft in urbomeca subsequently published Mandatory 28 73 2818 version E, applicable to engines fitted laps, to repetitively inspect the HP fuel pump drive

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	For the reasons described above, this AD requires repetitive inspections of engines equipped with HP fuel pump with part number (P/N) 0 298 91 806 0 and P/N 0 298 91 805 0, and, depending on findings, accomplishment of the applicable corrective actions.	
Effective Date:	[TBD: 14 days after final AD issue date]	
Required Action(s)	Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously:	
and Compliance Time(s):	(1) For engines equipped with an HP fuel pump with P/N 0 298 91 806 0 or P/N 0 298 91 805 0, within 25 flight hours (FH) or 6 months, whichever occurs first after the effective date of this AD, and thereafter, at intervals not to exceed 100 FH, inspect the HP fuel pump/metering valve and the module M01 drive gear in accordance with the instructions of Turbomeca MSB N° 298 73 2818 Version E.	
	Note: A non-cumulative tolerance as defined in Turbomeca MSB N° 298 73 2818 may be applied to the actions specified in paragraph (1) of this AD.	
	(2) If, during any inspection as required by paragraph (1) of this AD, any discrepancy (as defined in MSB N° 298 73 2818) is detected, before next flight, accomplish the applicable corrective actions in accordance with the instructions of Turbomeca MSB N° 298 73 2818 Version E.	
	(3) Inspections and corrective actions, accomplished before the effective date of this AD in accordance with the instructions of Turbomeca SB N° 298 73 2818 (all previous versions until Version D inclusive) are acceptable to comply with the initial requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2), as applicable.	
	(4) From the effective date of this AD, for an engine equipped with an HP fuel pump with P/N 0 298 91 806 0 or P/N 0 298 91 805 0, installation on an engine of an HP fuel pump drive shaft or an HP fuel pump or a module 01 or a module 01 77-tooth gear is allowed, provided that upon installation of one of these parts, that engine passes the inspection of the HP pump/metering valve and the module M01 drive gear, and thereafter, it is inspected as required by paragraph (1) of this AD.	
	(5) From the effective date of this AD, do not install an HP fuel pump on an engine, or an engine on a helicopter, unless it is in compliance with the requirements of this AD.	
Ref. Publications:	Turbomeca MSB N° 298 73 2818 Version E dated 11 February 2014.	
	The use of later approved revisions of this document is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.	
Remarks:	This Proposed AD will be closed for consultation on 28 February 2014.	
	 Enquiries regarding this PAD should be referred to the Safety Information Section, Executive Directorate, EASA. E-mail: ADs@easa.europa.eu. 	
	 For any question concerning the technical content of the requirements in this PAD, please contact: Turboméca, S.A., MAKILA Customer Support, 40220 TARNOS, FRANCE. Fax: +33 5 59 74 45 16; or contact your nearest technical representative at www.turbomeca-support.com. 	