

FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

12 CFR Chapter IX

[No. 97-N-4]

Mission Achievement by the Federal Home Loan Banks

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On April 9, 1997, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking requesting public comment on ways in which the Federal Home Loan Banks (Banks) can further achieve their statutory mission to support housing finance and community investment and ways in which the Finance Board, as regulator of the Banks, can measure and ensure that the Banks achieve their mission (62 FR 17108, April 9, 1997). Comments originally were requested by May 9, 1997. In recognition of the broad scope of issues on which comments have been requested, and in order to receive comprehensive and creative comments on all aspects of these issues, the Finance Board has decided to extend the comment period for 30 days for all commenters.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 9, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be mailed to: Elaine Baker, Secretary to the Board, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006. Comments will be available for public inspection at this address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan Curtis, Senior Financial Analyst, Office of Policy, (202) 408-2866, or Brandon B. Straus, Senior Attorney-Advisor, (202) 408-2589, Office of General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006.

Dated: May 5, 1997.

By the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Bruce A. Morrison,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 96-CE-54-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Twin Commander Aircraft Corporation 500, 680, 690, and 695 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes to supersede Airworthiness Directive (AD) 96-12-08 on Twin Commander Aircraft Corporation (Twin Commander) 500, 680, 690, and 695 series airplanes that do not have a nose landing gear drag link bolt with the manufacturer's serial number, manufacture date, and the last three digits of the drawing number, 055, on the bolt head, which currently requires replacing the nose landing gear (NLG) drag link bolt with one that has been manufactured with the proper heat-treatment. The proposed action would retain these requirements, would require additional models and serial numbers be added to the applicability section, and would require certain Models 690D and 695A airplanes to replace bolt part number (P/N) ED10055 with bolt P/N 750076-1. The addition of airplane models and serial numbers, as well as changing the part number of the bolt to be replaced on some models prompted the proposed action. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent the NLG from collapsing which could result in loss of control of the airplane during landing operations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 17, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 96-CE-54-AD, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. Comments may be inspected at this location between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, holidays excepted.

Service information that applies to the proposed AD may be obtained from Twin Commander Aircraft Corporation, 19010 59th Dr. NE., Arlington, Washington, 98223-7832; telephone (360) 435-9797; facsimile (360) 435-1112. This information also may be examined at the Rules Docket at the address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Morfitt, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, 1601 Lind Ave. SW., Renton, Washington, 98055-4056; telephone (206) 227-2595; facsimile (206) 227-1181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Comments Invited**

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 96-CE-54-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 96-CE-54-AD, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

Discussion

Airworthiness Directive (AD) 96-12-08, Amendment 39-9650, (61 FR 28738, dated June 6, 1996), currently requires replacing the NLG drag link bolt with an approved heat-treated bolt on Twin Commander 500, 680, 690, and 695 series airplanes. This bolt has the manufacturer's serial number, manufacture date, and the last three digits of the drawing number, 055, on the bolt head.