

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by removing 39-10830 (63 FR 55500, October 16, 1998), and by adding a new airworthiness directive, to read as follows:

Pratt & Whitney: Docket No. 95-ANE-69.

Revises AD 98-2122, Amendment 39-10830.

Applicability: Pratt & Whitney (PW) Model JT9D-59A, -70A, -7Q, -7Q3, and JT9D-7R4 series turbofan engines, with the following 14th and 15th stage high pressure compressor (HPC) disks installed: Part Numbers (P/Ns) 5000814-01, 790014, 789914, 790114, 5000815-01, 5000815-021, 704315, 704315-001, 786215, 786215-001, 704314, 789814, and 790214. These engines are installed on but not limited to Airbus A300 and A310 series aircraft, Boeing 747 and 767 series aircraft, and McDonnell Douglas DC-10 series aircraft.

Note 1: This airworthiness directive (AD) applies to each engine identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For engines that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (f) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent 14th and 15th stage HPC disk rupture, which could result in an uncontained engine failure and damage to the aircraft, accomplish the following:

(a) Inspect 14th stage HPC disks, P/N 5000814-01, in accordance with Nondestructive Inspection Procedure No. 858 (NDIP-858), dated November 7, 1995, attached to PW Alert Service Bulletin (ASB) No. JT9D-7R4-524, original issue dated December 13, 1995, or Revision 1, dated June 26, 1997, as follows:

(1) Perform an initial eddy current inspection (ECI) for cracks as follows:

(i) For disks with 7,000 or more cycles since new (CSN), and 3,000 or more cycles in service (CIS) since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within the next 1,000 CIS after the effective date of this AD, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(ii) For disks with 7,000 or more CSN, and less than 3,000 CIS since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within 4,000 CIS since the last shop visit, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(iii) For disks with less than 7,000 CSN on the effective date of this AD, inspect at the next shop visit after the effective date of this AD, but before exceeding 4,000 CIS since last shop visit, or 8,000 CSN, whichever occurs later.

(iv) For uninstalled disks on or after the effective date of this AD, inspect prior to installation.

(2) Thereafter, perform ECI for cracks at intervals not to exceed 4,000 CIS since last ECI.

(3) Prior to further flight, remove cracked disks and replace with serviceable parts.

(b) Inspect 14th stage HPC disks, P/N's 790014, 789914, 790114, and 15th stage HPC disks, P/N's 5000815-01, 5000815-021, 704315, 704315-001, 786215, and 786215-001, in accordance with NDIP-858, dated November 7, 1995, attached to PW ASB No. JT9D-7R4-A72-524, dated December 13, 1995, or Revision 1, dated June 26, 1997, or PW ASB No. A6232, dated December 13, 1995, or Revision 1, dated January 11, 1996, or Revision 2, June 26, 1997, as applicable, as follows:

(1) Perform an initial ECI for cracks as follows:

(i) For disks with 6,500 or more CSN, and 3,000 or more CIS since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within the next 1,000 CIS after the effective date of this AD, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(ii) For disks with 6,500 or more CSN, and less than 3,000 CIS since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within 4,000 CIS since the last shop visit, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(iii) For disks with less than 6,500 CSN on the effective date of this AD, inspect at the next shop visit after the effective date of this AD, but before exceeding 4,000 CIS since last shop visit, or 7,500 CSN, whichever occurs later.

(iv) For uninstalled disks on or after the effective date of this AD, inspect prior to installation.

(2) Thereafter, perform ECI for cracks at intervals not to exceed 4,000 CIS since last ECI.

(3) Prior to further flight, remove cracked disks and replace with serviceable parts.

(c) Inspect 14th stage HPC disks, P/N's 704314, 789814, and 790214, in accordance with NDIP-858, dated November 7, 1995, attached to PW ASB No. A6232, original issue, dated December 13, 1995, or Revision 1, dated January 11, 1996, or Revision 2, dated June 26, 1997, as follows:

(1) Perform an initial ECI for cracks as follows:

(i) For disks with 2,000 or more CSN, and 2,000 or more CIS since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within the next 1,000 CIS after the effective date of this AD, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(ii) For disks with 2,000 or more CSN, and less than 2,000 CIS since last shop visit, on the effective date of this AD, inspect within 3,000 CIS since the last shop visit, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(iii) For disks with 2,000 or more CSN, and no previous shop visits, inspect within 3,000 CIS after the effective date of this AD, or at the next shop visit, whichever occurs first.

(iv) For disks with less than 2,000 CSN on the effective date of this AD, inspect at the next shop visit after the effective date of this AD, but before exceeding 5,000 CSN.

(v) For uninstalled disks on or after the effective date of this AD, inspect prior to installation.

(2) Thereafter, perform ECI for cracks at intervals not to exceed 3,000 CIS since last ECI.

(3) Prior to further flight, remove cracked disks and replace with serviceable parts.

(d) Within 30 days of inspection, report inspection results on the form labeled "14th and 15th Stage HPC Disk Inspection Report," to Pratt & Whitney Customer Technical Support. The fax number is listed on that form which is attached to PW ASB No. JT9D-7R4-A72-524, Revision 1, dated June 26, 1997, or PW ASB No. A6232, Revision 2, June 26, 1997. Reporting requirements have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and assigned OMB control number 2120-0056.

(e) For the purpose of this AD, a shop visit is defined as a low pressure turbine module removal.

(f) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Engine Certification Office.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Engine Certification Office.

(g) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on March 23, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-AGL-19]

Proposed Modification of Class E Airspace; Savanna, IL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to modify Class E airspace at Savanna, IL. A Global Positioning System (GPS)

Standards Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (Rwy) 13 has been developed for Tri-Township Airport. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet above ground level (AGL) is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. This action proposes to increase the radius of the existing controlled airspace for this airport.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 18, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the proposal in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, AGL-7, Rules Docket No. 99-AGL-19, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines Illinois 60018.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle M. Behm, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, AGL-520, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018, telephone (847) 294-7568.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal.

Communications should identify the airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made:

"Comments to Airspace Docket No. 99-AGL-19." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter. All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained

in this notice may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Rules Docket, FAA, Great Lakes Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRM's

Any person may obtain a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Administration, Office of Public Affairs, Attention: Public Inquiry Center, APA-230, 800 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267-3484. Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to modify Class E airspace at Savanna, IL, to accommodate aircraft executing the proposed GPS Rwy 13 SIAP at Tri-Township Airport by modifying the existing controlled airspace. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet AGL is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. The area would be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace designations for airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore this proposed regulation—(1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air

traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, is amended as follows:

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Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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Savanna, Tri-Township Airport, IL (Lat. 42°02'45"N., long. 90°06'27"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within an 8.4-mile radius of the Tri-Township Airport.

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Issued in Des Plaines, Illinois on March 16, 1999.

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Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-AGL-18]

Proposed Modification of Class E Airspace; Hamilton, OH

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.