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TO: All Bell Helicopter Owners and Operators

SUBJECT: IMPROVED TAIL ROTOR 90/42 DEGREE GEARBOX OIL FILLER CAPS

-NOTE-

Revision "A" to this General Information Letter makes a change to the text, clarifying oil filler cap requirements for specific models.

Bell Helicopter has recently introduced a new tail rotor 90 degree and 42 degree gearbox filler caps with improved water excluding characteristics. These caps are usable on all commercial models of Bell Helicopters with the exception of the model 47. The models 222, 230, 430 (S/N 49001 through 49061) will require gearbox case modification described in the applicable Technical Bulletin prior to installation of improved 90 degree vented filler cap.

The 412-040-318-101 vented filler cap now replaces vented filler cap 204-040-502-009, while the 412-040-318-103 non-vented filler cap replaces the 204-040-502-011 non-vented filler cap.

Owners/operators may now procure these new caps from their local Bell Helicopter supply center.

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