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## **INFORMATION LETTER**

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**TO: All owners and operators of Bell helicopters**

**SUBJECT: HISTORICAL SERVICE RECORD REQUIREMENTS FOR ON-CONDITION COMPOSITE MAIN ROTOR YOKES, MAIN AND TAIL ROTOR BLADES**

On some Bell helicopter models, the serviceability of main rotor yokes as well as main and tail rotor blades is based on their condition only. They do not have an airworthiness life limitation or time between overhaul requirement as identified in Chapter 4 or 5 of the applicable helicopter model maintenance manuals.

This General Information Letter is to advise owners/operators that Bell will be introducing requirements to the applicable maintenance manual Chapter 5 requiring the use of Historical Service Record (HSR) forms to track history of these on-condition parts. This requirement is being introduced to document repairs accomplished per the maintenance manuals or in the event the extent of sustained damage would require Bell to evaluate for a possible expanded repair. The HSR is also used to document flight time in service of the components, incidents that require removal of components for maintenance actions or repairs following events such as a hard landing, sudden stoppage, etc...

For Bell to properly assess damage and possibly provide approved expanded repairs or recommendations, it is important to have a clear, complete, and concise history of the components for review. Without sufficient history, these components may be considered by Bell as non-repairable.

For new production helicopter deliveries and components delivered from our spares inventory through the various Bell supply centers, each of these on-condition parts will come with an HSR form.

Owners/operators that have not been tracking the history of these on-condition components are invited to contact Product Support Engineering for guidance to creating

HSRs. Please note that blank HSRs may be downloaded from the [www.mybell.com](http://www.mybell.com) website using the **Technical Publications** link under **Record Cards** in the menu.

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