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ALERT SERVICE BULLETIN

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MODEL AFFECTED: UH-1H

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF A 1,000 HOUR RETIREMENT

LIFE FOR TAIL ROTOR BLADE ASSEMBLY P/N

204-011-702-121 ON THE UH-1H HELICOPTER

HELICOPTERS AFFECTED: UH-1H helicopters which are non-type certificated

and owned and operated by other than an Armed Service of the United States with Tail Rotor Blade

Assembly P/N 204-011-702-121 installed.

COMPLIANCE: Within the next 50 flight hours but not later than 6

months after receipt of this ASB.

DESCRIPTION:

Review of UH-1H fatigue and flight spectrum data has determined a retirement life of 1,000 hours is necessary for P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blade assemblies installed on the UH-1H helicopter as described in the **HELICOPTERS AFFECTED** block above. Use of P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blade assembly is authorized under the conditions and instructions contained in Special Use (SU) Technical Bulletin (TB) SU-94-2.

Revision B to Special Use (SU) Technical Bulletin SU-94-2 addresses the 1,000 hour retirement life reflected in the **ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS** of this bulletin.

Applicability of this bulletin to any spare part shall be determined prior to its installation on an affected aircraft.

APPROVAL:

Bell Helicopter does not authorize use of this bulletin to obtain approval from any civil regulatory authority for installation of the P/N 204-011-702-121 Tail Rotor Blade on any type certificated UH-1 helicopter.

The engineering design aspects of this bulletin are Bell Helicopter Engineering approved.

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MANPOWER:

Approximately 2.0 man-hours are required to complete this bulletin. This estimate is based on hands-on time, and may vary with personnel and facilities available.

WARRANTY:

There is no warranty credit applicable for parts or labor associated with this bulletin.

MATERIAL:

Refer to Accomplishment Instructions.

SPECIAL TOOLS:

None required.

WEIGHT AND BALANCE:

Not affected.

ELECTRICAL LOAD DATA:

Not affected.

REFERENCES:

TM 55-1520-210-23-1 AVUM & AVIM Maintenance Instructions TM 55-1520-210-23P-1 AVUM & AVIM Repair Parts and Special Tools List WR 55-1560-200 Depot and Major Repair Work Requirement Technical Bulletin SU-94-2, Rev B

PUBLICATIONS AFFECTED:

TM 55-1520-210-23-1 AVUM & AVIM Maintenance Instructions TM 55-1520-210-23P-1 AVUM & AVIM Repair Parts and Special Tools List WR 55-1560-200 Depot and Major Repair Work Requirement

ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. P/N 204-011-702-121 Tail Rotor Blade has a retirement life of 1,000 flight hours when installed on the UH-1H helicopter.
 - a. Review helicopter and tail rotor hub and blade assembly records to determine if P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades are installed.
 - b. If P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades <u>are not installed</u>, no further action is required. Proceed to step 3.
 - c. If P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades **are installed**, proceed to step 2 of this ASB.
- 2. Review all pertinent helicopter/component records for each P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blade to determine the retirement life being tracked.
 - a. If 1,000 hours is being tracked as the retirement life for the P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blade no further action is required. Proceed to step 3.
 - b. If a retirement life <u>in excess of</u> 1,000 hours is being tracked for the P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blade, determine the current total time of each affected blade.
 - 1) P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades with a current total time in excess of 1,000 hours must be removed from service within the next 50 flight hours but not later than six months following receipt of this ASB. <u>Once removed, these blades are non-airworthy.</u>
 - a) If replacement P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades are to be installed, refer to TB SU-94-2, Revision B, for helicopter eligibility, parts required, and installation instructions.
 - b) If replacement P/N 204-011-702-015 tail rotor blades are to be installed, refer to TM 55-1520-210-23P-1 for parts required and TM 55-1520-210-23-1 for installation instructions.
 - 2) P/N 204-011-702-121 tail rotor blades with a current total time less than 1,000 hours may be retained in service until reaching 1,000 hours total time.
 - Revise all affected blade historical record cards (HRC) to show 1,000 hours retirement.

- b) Refer to TB SU-94-2, Revision B, for installation, maintenance, and repair information.
- 3. Make an entry in helicopter historical service records indicating compliance with this Alert Service Bulletin.