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Mr. Mike May  
Airbus Helicopters, Inc.  
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Dear Mr. May:

Reference: Airbus Helicopters letter dated November 10, 2020

Subject: Global Alternative Method of Compliance (AMOC) to Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2018-02-02, Docket Number FAA-2017-1201

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has received your referenced proposal requesting FAA approval of a global AMOC to AD 2018-02-02 for Airbus Helicopters model AS350B, AS350BA, AS350B1, AS350B2, AS350B3, AS350D, AS355E, AS355F, AS355F1, AS355F2, AS355N, AS355NP, EC130B4, and EC130T2 helicopters. AD 2018-02-02, paragraph (e)(1) requires inspecting the main rotor (M/R) mast jet oil lubrication hose (oil hose), part number (P/N) 704A34-412-015 (manufacturing P/N 4T13), except those marked with an X following the P/N.

You are proposing an AMOC to AD 2018-02-02, to add no action required for oil hose part number 704A34-412-015 that has been manufactured after the third trimester of 2017, seen on the hose identification plate. This proposal would remove the required actions for paragraphs (e)(1).

The International Validation Branch approves your AMOC of AD 2018-02-02 to remove the inspection requirements in paragraph (e)(1) for an oil hose part number 704A34-412-015 that has been manufactured after the third trimester of 2017, seen on the hose identification plate. This approval is based on the hose manufacturer implementing a new acceptance test procedure and has demonstrated that all parts produced after the second trimester of 2017 have been checked before delivery and are considered serviceable.

In accordance with FAA Order 8110.103B, the following conditions apply:

- This approval is applicable only to AS350B, D, B1, B2, B3, BA, AS355E, F, FI, F2, N, NP and EC130B4, T2 model helicopters.
- This AMOC is transferable with the aircraft to another owner/operator.
- Before using this AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local Flight Standards District Office/Certificate Holding District Office.
- All provisions of AD 2018-02-02 that are not specifically referenced above remain fully applicable and must be complied with accordingly.

For further questions regarding this AMOC, please contact Scott Franke at (817) 222-5178, or e-mail [scott.franke@faa.gov](mailto:scott.franke@faa.gov).

Sincerely,

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