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TO: All owners and operators of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company helicopters and MDHC Approved Service Centers.

RE-LUBRICATION OF BEARINGS IN STORAGE

MDHC re-lubricates all pre-lubricated bearings (lubricated by manufacturer) after four years of shelf life (storage) or prior to installation into a helicopter. Owners, operators and service centers should also comply with this requirement of relubricating any pre-lubricated bearing which has been in storage more than four years since date of manufacture or before installing the bearing into a helicopter. Spares inventories should be checked periodically to ensure the above re-lubricating requirement is complied with. Re-lubrication shall be performed in accordance with the applicable portions of the Handbook of Maintenance Instructions.

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