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TO: All owners and operators of MDHC Helicopters.

UNAUTHORIZED OVERHAUL OF MAIN ROTOR HUB ASSEMBLIES

MODELS AFFECTED: All 369H, 369HE, 369HM, 369HS, 369A, 369D, 369E, 369F and 369FF Model Helicopters.

McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company (MDHC) has learned that some operators of MDHC helicopters have had main rotor hub assemblies (lead lag links, strap pack assemblies, blade root fittings, etc.) overhauled at repair facilities outside of MDHC or MDHC Approved overhaul Licensees. MDHC does not recommend or approve overhaul of the main rotor hub assemblies outside of MDHC or Approved overhaul Licensees. Such practice may jeopardize the safety of the helicopter and the eligibility of the part to be qualified for MDHC's major component exchange program.

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