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# SERVICE LETTER

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TO: All owners and operators of Hughes Helicopters

## UNAUTHORIZED TAIL ROTOR TEETER BEARINGS.

MODELS AFFECTED: All 369D, 369E, 369H, 369HE, 369HM and 369HS Series helicopters.

During the period 1981 through 1983, New Hampshire Ball Bearings, Inc., manufactured and sold tail rotor teeter bearings marked with Hughes PN 369A1726 and 369A1727 to JEPCO, 10919 N. W. Third Place, Belleview, Washington, and AHEPSCO, 216 West Florence, Inglewood, California. These bearings were not subjected to Hughes inspection and quality control, and their use is not authorized on any Hughes Helicopter. Since these bearings cannot be shown to meet FAA quality control requirements, their use violates Federal Aviation Regulations, and can result in warranty or insurance claims being rejected.

There is no way to visually differentiate between the unauthorized and authorized parts; therefore, all 369A1726 and 369A1727 tail rotor teeter bearing inner/outer races purchased from other than a Hughes authorized distributor or service center should be removed from service immediately and replaced with Hughes authorized 369A1726 and 369A1727 bearings from Hughes authorized sources. All such parts should be removed from spares inventory.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact your Hughes Service Center or Distributor.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Edward Koch'.

Edward Koch, Manager,  
Customer Service Department  
Hughes Helicopters, Inc.