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## TO: All Owners/Operators of Bell 204B, 205, 205B and 212 Helicopters

## SUBJECT: GRIP ASSEMBLY P/N 204-011-121-125, INTRODUCTION OF

Bell Helicopter has recently introduced Main Rotor Grip Assembly part number 204-011-121-125 into service. Grip Assembly part number 204-011-121-125 is the authorized spares replacement for Grip Assembly part numbers 204-011-121-005/-009/-117/-121 as used on the applicable helicopter model. The Grip Assemblies do not need to be replaced in pairs.

Grip Assembly P/N 204-011-121-125 has a 25,000 hour and 500,000 RIN (whichever occurs first) retirement life. The RIN count will be increased by one for each takeoff or each external lift event. The recurring ultrasonic inspection of the grip tangs is not required with this Grip Assembly. However, the recurring 25 hour visual inspection is still required.

If Grip Assembly P/N 204-011-121-125 is to be installed on a Main Rotor Hub with grease provisions then it will need to be modified in accordance with the applicable Technical Bulletin (TB 212-81-56, TB 205-81-43 or TB 204-81-19).

The applicable technical publications will be updated at a future revision to cover the introduction of Grip Assembly P/N 204-011-121-125.