



INFORMATION LETTER

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**TO: All owners and operators of Model 206A/B/L and TH-67 helicopters**

**SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT OF TAIL ROTOR BLADES 206-016-201-131, 206-016-201-133, 206-016-201-135, and 206-016-201-137 BY VAN HORN COMPOSITE TAIL ROTOR BLADES P/N 2062200-301.**

This Information Letter is issued to notify operators regarding the introduction of the Van Horn composite tail rotor blades as future spares replacement for Bell Helicopter models 206B3, 206L series, TH-67, and 206A/B.

The current Bell Helicopter manufactured tail rotor blades will be available until depletion of stock. Thereafter, replacement tail rotor blades will have to be purchased through **Aeronautical Accessories** under FAA STC SR02249LA, Transport Canada STC SH10-22, EASA STC 10039278, or Brazilian STC 2012S09-07.

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The Van Horn tail rotor blades are a direct replacement for tail rotor blades 206-016-201-131 and 206-016-201-135 (long blades) only. Replacement of tail rotor blades 206-016-201-133 and 206-016-201-137 (short blades) will require compliance with BHT-206-SI-112 or Van Horn Aviation Instructions for Continued Airworthiness VMM-206B3-301, Revision I or later, Section 62.3.2 and Section 62.3.3.

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**CAUTION**

Only with full compliance to BHT-206-SI-112 may 206B3 performance data be achieved per 206B3-FM-1 Flight Manual.

**-NOTE-**

The following shall be accomplished prior to or concurrently with BHT-206-SI-112 (Retrofit Kit, Engine Assembly 250-C20B) for the listed helicopters:

- S/N **4 through 497**; TB 206-94-146, Rev A (anti-torque control system hydraulic boost removal), dated May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014.
- S/N **4 through 660** and **672 through 715**; SI-80 (C20 engine install).

Due to parts obsolescence, numerous C20B engines have been reidentified as C20 (reference Rolls-Royce CEB 1167). Those can be returned to C20B status per CEB 1225.

BHT-206-SI-112 **206-704-135-101** and **-103** kits are no longer available as a single order item through Bell Helicopter spares. The detail parts will need to be ordered individually. Plan spares requirements in advance to manage possible long lead times on some specific parts.

Instructions for Continued Airworthiness (ICA) and technical support regarding the Van Horn blades will be provided directly by **Van Horn Aviation**.

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