



**BELL
HELICOPTER COMPANY**

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OPERATIONS SAFETY NOTICE

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OSN 47-75-1

TO: ALL MODEL 47B, B3, D, D-1, G, G-2 AND H-1 OPERATORS

SUBJECT: FAILED TAIL ROTOR HUB BOLTS P/N 47-641-052-3

WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SEVERAL ACCIDENTS HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY FAILURE OF THE SUBJECT BOLT. WE ALSO HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE BOLTS WERE MANUFACTURED FROM AIRCRAFT BOLTS AND DO NOT CONFORM TO BELL SPECIFICATIONS. THEY WERE IDENTIFIED ON THE HEAD WITH THE BELL PART NUMBER. WE HAVE DETERMINED THAT THEY WERE NOT MANUFACTURED BY BELL OR ITS APPROVED SUPPLIERS.

WE URGE YOU TO IMMEDIATELY REMOVE FROM SERVICE ANY BOLT THAT YOU CANNOT POSITIVELY IDENTIFY AS HAVING BEEN PURCHASED FROM BELL HELICOPTER COMPANY.


WILLIAM J. DIEHL
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