

SUBJECT : COLLINS AEROSPACE „Population 2“ Hoist System Installation.

REQUIREMENTS incl. Amdt. : CS 29.865 (a), CS 29.1301 (d), CS 29.1309 (a)(b), Amdt. 8.

ASSOCIATED IM/MoC : Yes ☐ / No ☒

ADVISORY MATERIAL : AMC to CS-29 Amdt. 8, EASA CM-HS-004

INTRODUCTORY NOTE:

The following Deviation (Dev) has been classified as important and as such shall be subject to public consultation in accordance with EASA Management Board decision 12/2007 dated 11 September 2007, Article 3 (2.) which states:

"2. Deviations from the applicable airworthiness codes, environmental protection certification specifications and/or acceptable means of compliance with Part 21, as well as important special conditions and equivalent safety findings, shall be submitted to the panel of experts and be subject to a public consultation of at least 3 weeks, except if they have been previously agreed and published in the Official Publication of the Agency. The final decision shall be published in the Official Publication of the Agency."

IDENTIFICATION OF ISSUE:

EASA has received an application for the certification of the installation of Collins Aerospace (formerly UTAS Goodrich) „Population 2“ Hoist System, equipped with an overload clutch, on a rotorcraft type model.

The overload clutch of the hoist presented for certification is subject to EASA AD 2015-0226R5 stemming from the investigation on an in-service event where a failure of the rescue hoist slip clutch allowed the hoist cable to reel-out in an uncontrolled manner.

In order to certify the design of hoist installations suitable for Human External Cargo (HEC) operations, compliance with all the applicable airworthiness requirements and, in particular, with CS 29.865(a), 29.1301(d), 29.1309(a)(b) (including the applicable AMC 29.865 and EASA-CM-HS-004) has to be demonstrated. This shall ensure that the parts and assemblies are appropriately designed, identified and traceable according to the criticality of their failure effect and therefore the risk of unintentional loss of the external / HEC load is appropriately mitigated.

Furthermore, the definition of a suitable flight envelope and the definition of the necessary provisions aimed at guaranteeing stable and predictable in-service performance have to be provided.

It has been determined that demonstrating full compliance with all elements of the requirements listed above, and reproduced here below for readers' convenience, is not possible with the current hoist design. A new or revised fully compliant design is not achievable or available in the period of time for which these hoist equipped rotorcraft are required to be available to conduct hoist operations. However, the purpose of this deviation is to support mainly HEMS and SAR operations pending a new or revised fully compliant hoist becoming available.

CS 29.865 External Loads

- (a) It must be shown by analysis, test, or both, that the rotorcraft external-load attaching means for rotorcraft-load combinations to be used for non-human external cargo applications can withstand a limit static load equal to 2.5, or some lower load factor approved under CS 29.337 through 29.341, multiplied by the maximum external load for which authorisation is requested. It must be shown by analysis, test, or both that the rotorcraft external-load attaching means and any complex personnel-carrying device system for rotorcraft-load combinations to be used for human external cargo applications can withstand a limit static load equal to 3.5 or some lower load factor, not less than 2.5, approved under CS 29.337 through 29.341, multiplied by the maximum external load for which authorisation is requested. The load for any rotorcraft-load combination class, for any external cargo type, must be applied in the vertical direction. For jettisonable rotorcraft-load combinations, for any applicable external cargo type, the load must also be applied in any direction making the maximum angle with the vertical that can be achieved in service but not less than 30°. However, the 30° angle may be reduced to a lesser angle if:
- (1) An operating limitation is established limiting external load operations to those angles for which compliance with this paragraph has been shown; or
 - (2) It is shown that the lesser angle cannot be exceeded in service."

CS 29.1301 Function and Installation

Each item of installed equipment must:

- (d) Function properly when installed.

CS 29.1309 Equipment, Systems, and Installations

- (a) The equipment, systems, and installations whose functioning is required by this CS-29 must be designed and installed to ensure that they perform their intended functions under any foreseeable operating condition.
- (b) The rotorcraft systems and associated components, considered separately and in relation to other systems, must be designed so that –
- (1) For Category B rotorcraft, the equipment, systems, and installations must be designed to prevent hazards to the rotorcraft if they malfunction or fail; or
 - (2) For Category A rotorcraft:
 - (i) The occurrence of any failure condition which would prevent the continued safe flight and landing of the rotorcraft is extremely improbable; and
 - (ii) The occurrence of any other failure conditions which would reduce the capability of the rotorcraft or the ability of the crew to cope with adverse operating conditions is improbable.

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