This condition, if not corrected, and if occurring while the RAT is deployed, could result in a degraded direct current power which is distributed to essential aeroplane systems and therefore aeroplane operations might be impaired.

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#### Compliance

(f) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

#### Actions

(g) Within 28 months after the effective date of this AD, replace any RAT TRU having P/N 5913703 with a RAT TRU having P/N 5915825, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Dassault Mandatory Service Bulletin 7X–163, dated December 1, 2010.

#### **Parts Installation**

(h) As of the effective date of this AD, no person may install any RAT TRU having P/N 5913703, on any airplane.

## FAA AD Differences

**Note 1:** This AD differs from the MCAI and/or service information as follows: No differences.

### **Other FAA AD Provisions**

(i) The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): The Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the International Branch, send it to Attn: Tom Rodriguez, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057-3356; telephone (425) 227-1137; fax (425) 227-1149: Information may be e-mailed to: 9-ANM-116-AMOC-REQUESTS@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/ certificate holding district office. The AMOC approval letter must specifically reference this AD.

(2) Airworthy Product: For any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer or other source, use these actions if they are FAA-approved. Corrective actions are considered FAA-approved if they are approved by the State of Design Authority (or their delegated agent). You are required to assure the product is airworthy before it is returned to service.

### **Related Information**

(j) Refer to MCAI European Aviation Safety Agency Airworthiness Directive 2011–0008, dated January 18, 2011; and Dassault Mandatory Service Bulletin 7X–163, dated December 1, 2010; for related information. Issued in Renton, Washington, on September 28, 2011. Ali Bahrami.

#### Ali Bahrami,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 2011–26112 Filed 10–7–11; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA-2011-1066; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-050-AD]

## RIN 2120-AA64

## Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** We propose to adopt a new airworthiness directive (AD), for certain Airbus Model A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes and Model A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4–622R, and F4–605R airplanes, that would supersede an existing AD. This proposed AD results from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI describes the unsafe condition as:

Following the occurrence of cracks on the MLG [main landing gear] Rib 5 RH [righthand] and LH [left-hand] attachment fitting lower flanges, DGAC [Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile] France AD 2003–318(B) was issued to require repetitive inspections and, as terminating action \* \* \* [.]

Subsequently, new cases of cracks were discovered during scheduled maintenance checks by operators of A300B4 and A300– 600 type aeroplanes on which the terminating action \* \* \* [was] embodied. This condition, if not corrected, could affect the structural integrity of those aeroplanes.

The proposed AD would require actions that are intended to address the unsafe condition described in the MCAI. **DATES:** We must receive comments on this proposed AD by November 25, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- Fax: (202) 493–2251.
- *Mail:* U.S. Department of
- Transportation, Docket Operations,

M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

• *Hand Delivery:* U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

For service information identified in this proposed AD, contact Airbus SAS— EAW (Airworthiness Office), 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France; telephone +33 5 61 93 36 96; fax +33 5 61 93 44 51; e-mail *account.airworth-eas@airbus.com*; Internet *http://www.airbus.com*. You may review copies of the referenced service information at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 425–227– 1221.

## **Examining the AD Docket**

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at *http:// www.regulations.gov;* or in person at the Docket Operations office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this proposed AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Operations office (telephone (800) 647–5527) is in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Rodina, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM–116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057–3356; telephone (425) 227–2125; fax (425) 227–1149.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Comments Invited**

We invite you to send any written relevant data, views, or arguments about this proposed AD. Send your comments to an address listed under the **ADDRESSES** section. Include "Docket No. FAA–2011–1066; Directorate Identifier 2011–NM–050–AD" at the beginning of your comments. We specifically invite comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of this proposed AD. We will consider all comments received by the closing date and may amend this proposed AD based on those comments.

We will post all comments we receive, without change, to *http://www.regulations.gov*, including any

personal information you provide. We will also post a report summarizing each substantive verbal contact we receive about this proposed AD.

## Discussion

On November 3, 2010, we issued AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010). That AD required actions intended to address an unsafe condition on the products listed above.

Since we issued AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010), we have determined that it is necessary to mandate the optional spot-facing modification specified in paragraph (q) of the existing AD: The European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), which is the aviation authority for the Member States of the European Community, has issued EASA Airworthiness Directive 2011–0029, dated February 24, 2011 (referred to after this as "the MCAI"), to correct an unsafe condition for the specified products. The MCAI states:

Following the occurrence of cracks on the MLG [main landing gear] Rib 5 RH [righthand] and LH [left-hand] attachment fitting lower flanges, DGAC [Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile] France AD 2003–318(B) was issued to require repetitive inspections and, as terminating action, the embodiment of Airbus Service Bulletins (SB) A300–57– 0235 and A300–57–6088 \* \* \*.

Subsequently, new cases of cracks were discovered during scheduled maintenance checks by operators of A300B4 and A300– 600 type aeroplanes on which the terminating action SB's were embodied. This condition, if not corrected, could affect the structural integrity of those aeroplanes.

To address and correct this condition, Airbus developed an inspection programme for aeroplanes modified in accordance with SB A300–57–0235 or A300–57–6088. This inspection programme was required to be implemented by DGAC France AD F–2005– 113, original issue and later revision 1 [parallel to part of FAA AD 2006–12–13, Amendment 39–14639 (71 FR 33994, June 13, 2006)].

A new EASA [European Aviation Safety Agency] AD 2008–0111, superseding DGAC France AD F–2005–113R1, was issued to reduce the applicability. For aeroplanes already compliant with DGAC France AD F– 2005–113R1, no further action was required.

Since EASA AD 2008–0111 issuance, Airbus reviewed the inspection programmes of SB A300–57A0246 and SB A300–57A6101 to introduce repetitive inspections including a new inspection technique for holes 47 and 54 and to reduce inspections threshold and intervals from 700 Flight Cycles (FC) to 400 FC until a revised terminating action is made available.

For the reasons stated above, EASA AD 2009–0081 superseded EASA AD 2008–0111 and required operators to comply with the new inspection programme introduced in

Revisions 3 of Airbus SB A300–57A0246 and Airbus SB A300–57A6101.

EASA AD 2009–0081 R1 [which corresponds to FAA AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010)] has been published to introduce an optional terminating action which consisted of spot-facing the sensitive holes of the MLG Rib 5 (LH and RH) bottom flanges.

Later discussions with Airbus have demonstrated the necessity to require the spot-facing modification as a final solution (no longer optional). This new [EASA] AD retains the inspection requirements of EASA AD 2009–0081 R1, which is superseded, and requires the spot-facing of sensitive holes of the MLG Rib 5 (LH and RH) bottom flanges as terminating action.

Required actions include repairing discrepancies (*e.g.*, cracking or a 2nd oversize or greater fastener hole). You may obtain further information by examining the MCAI in the AD docket.

#### **Relevant Service Information**

Airbus has issued Mandatory Service Bulletins A300–57–0254, Revision 01, including Appendix 1, dated June 14, 2011; and A300–57–6110, Revision 01, including Appendix 1, dated June 6, 2011. The actions described in this service information are intended to correct the unsafe condition identified in the MCAI.

# FAA's Determination and Requirements of This Proposed AD

This product has been approved by the aviation authority of another country, and is approved for operation in the United States. Pursuant to our bilateral agreement with the State of Design Authority, we have been notified of the unsafe condition described in the MCAI and service information referenced above. We are proposing this AD because we evaluated all pertinent information and determined an unsafe condition exists and is likely to exist or develop on other products of the same type design.

# Differences Between This AD and the MCAI or Service Information

We have reviewed the MCAI and related service information and, in general, agree with their substance. But we might have found it necessary to use different words from those in the MCAI to ensure the AD is clear for U.S. operators and is enforceable. In making these changes, we do not intend to differ substantively from the information provided in the MCAI and related service information.

We might also have proposed different actions in this AD from those in the MCAI in order to follow FAA policies. Any such differences are highlighted in a NOTE within the proposed AD.

## **Costs of Compliance**

Based on the service information, we estimate that this proposed AD would affect about 155 products of U.S. registry.

The actions that are required by AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010), and retained in this AD take about 79 workhours per product, at an average labor rate of \$85 per work hour. Required parts cost about \$10,270 per product. Based on these figures, the estimated cost of the currently required actions is \$16,985 per product.

We estimate that it would take about 100 work-hours per product to comply with the new basic requirements of this proposed AD. The average labor rate is \$85 per work-hour. Based on these figures, we estimate the cost of the proposed AD on U.S. operators to be \$1,317,500, or \$8,500 per product.

## Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. "Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs," describes in more detail the scope of the Agency's authority.

We are issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in "Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements." Under that section, Congress charges the FAA with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

#### **Regulatory Findings**

We determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify this proposed regulation:

1. Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866;

2. Is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and

3. Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared a regulatory evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD and placed it in the AD docket.

## List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

### The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

## PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

#### §39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by removing Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010) and adding the following new AD: Airbus: Docket No. FAA–2011–1066; Directorate Identifier 2011–NM–050–AD.

## **Comments Due Date**

(a) We must receive comments by November 25, 2011.

## Affected ADs

(b) This AD supersedes AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010).

## Applicability

(c) This AD applies to the airplanes, certificated in any category, identified in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this AD; except airplanes on which Airbus Modification 11912 or 11932 has been installed.

(1) Airbus Model A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes.

(2) Airbus Model A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4–622R, and F4–605R airplanes.

## Subject

(d) Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 57: Wings.

## Reason

(e) The mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) states:

Following the occurrence of cracks on the MLG [main landing gear] Rib 5 RH [righthand] and LH [left-hand] attachment fitting lower flanges, DGAC [Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile] France AD 2003–318(B) was issued to require repetitive inspections and, as terminating action, the embodiment

#### TABLE 1—REVISION 01 OF SERVICE BULLETINS

of Airbus Service Bulletins (SB) A300–57– 0235 and A300–57–6088 \* \* \*.

Subsequently, new cases of cracks were discovered during scheduled maintenance checks by operators of A300B4 and A300– 600 type aeroplanes on which the terminating action SB's were embodied. This condition, if not corrected, could affect the structural integrity of those aeroplanes.

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#### Compliance

(f) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

#### Restatement of Requirements of AD 2000– 05–07, Amendment 39–11616 (65 FR 12077, March 8, 2000):

#### **Repetitive Inspections**

(g) Perform a detailed inspection and a high-frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspection to detect cracks in Gear Rib 5 of the main landing gear (MLG) attachment fittings at the lower flange, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of any applicable service bulletin listed in Table 1 and Table 2 of this AD, at the time specified in paragraph (g)(1) or (g)(2) of this AD. After April 12, 2000 (the effective date of AD 2000-05-07, Amendment 39-11616 (65 FR 12077, March 8, 2000)), only the service bulletins listed in Table 2 of this AD may be used. Repeat the inspections thereafter at intervals not to exceed 1,500 flight cycles, until the actions specified in paragraph (i), (j), or (l) of this AD are accomplished.

Model—	Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated-
A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4– 622R and F4–605R airplanes.	A300–57–6087	01	March 11, 1998.
A300 B2-1C, B2K-3C, B2-203, B4-2C, B4-103, and B4-203 airplanes.	A300–57–0234	01	March 11, 1998.

## TABLE 2—OTHER REVISIONS OF SERVICE BULLETINS

Model—	Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated
A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4– 622R, and F4–605R airplanes.	A300–57A6087	02, including Appendix 01	June 24, 1999.
		03, including Appendix 01	May 19, 2000.
		04, including Appendix 01	February 19, 2002.
		05, including Appendix 01	March 10, 2008.
A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes.	A300–57A0234	02	June 24, 1999.
		03, including Appendix 01	September 2, 1999.
		04, including Appendix 01	May 19, 2000.
		05, including Appendix 01	February 19, 2002.

(1) For airplanes that have accumulated 20,000 or more total flight cycles as of March 9, 1998 (the effective date of AD 98–03–06, Amendment 39–10298 (63 FR 5224, February 2, 1998)): Inspect within 500 flight cycles after March 9, 1998.

(2) For airplanes that have accumulated less than 20,000 total flight cycles as of March 9, 1998: Inspect prior to the accumulation of 18,000 total flight cycles, or within 1,500 flight cycles after March 9, 1998, whichever occurs later. **Note 1:** For the purposes of this AD, a detailed inspection is defined as: "An intensive visual examination of a specific structural area, system, installation, or assembly to detect damage, failure, or irregularity. Available lighting is normally supplemented with a direct source of good

lighting at intensity deemed appropriate by the inspector. Inspection aids such as mirror, magnifying lenses, etc., may be used. Surface cleaning and elaborate access procedures may be required."

**Note 2:** Accomplishment of the initial detailed and HFEC inspections prior to April 12, 2000, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A300–57A0234 or A300–57A6087, both dated August 5, 1997, as applicable, is considered acceptable for compliance with the initial inspections required by paragraph (g) of this AD.

#### Repair for Any Crack Found During Inspections Required by Paragraph (g) of This AD

(h) If any crack is detected during any inspection required by paragraph (g) of this AD, prior to further flight, accomplish the requirements of paragraph (h)(1) or (h)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) If a crack is detected at one hole only, and the crack does not extend out of the spotface of the hole, repair in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of the applicable service bulletin in Table 2 of this AD.

(2) If a crack is detected at more than one hole, or if any crack at any hole extends out of the spotface of the hole, repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, or the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) (or its delegated agent).

#### Terminating Modification for Repetitive Inspections Required by Paragraphs (g) and (j) of This AD

(i) Except as required by paragraph (l) of this AD, prior to the accumulation of 21,000

total flight cycles, or within 2 years after October 20, 1999 (the effective date of AD 99-19-26, Amendment 39-11313 (64 FR 49966, September 15, 1999)), whichever occurs later: Modify Gear Rib 5 of the MLG attachment fittings at the lower flange in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of the applicable service bulletin in Table 3 of this AD. After July 18, 2006 (the effective date of AD 2006-12-13, Amendment 39-14639 (71 FR 33994, June 13, 2006)), only Revision 04 of Airbus Service Bulletin A300-57-6088, and Revisions 04 and 05 of Airbus Service Bulletin A300-57-0235 may be used. Accomplishment of this modification constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of paragraphs (g) and (j) of this AD.

TABLE 3—SERVICE BULLETINS FOR TERMINATING MIC	MODIFICATION
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Model—	Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated-
A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4– 622R, and F4–605R airplanes.	A300–57–6088	01, including Appendix 01	February 1, 1999.
		02	September 5, 2002.
A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes.	A300–57–0235	01, including Appendix 01	February 1, 1999.
		03	September 5, 2002.
		05	December 3, 2003.

**Note 3:** Accomplishment of the modification required by paragraph (i) of this AD prior to April 12, 2000, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A300–57–6088 or A300–57–0235, both dated August 5, 1998; as applicable; is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of that paragraph.

#### Restatement of Requirements of AD 2006– 12–13, Amendment 39–14639 (71 FR 33994, June 13, 2006):

#### **Additional Repetitive Inspections**

(j) For airplanes on which the modification specified in paragraph (i) or (l) of this AD has not been done before July 18, 2006 (the effective date of AD 2006–12–13, Amendment 39–14639 (69 FR 54063, September 7, 2004)), perform a detailed and an HFEC inspection to detect cracks of the lower flange of Gear Rib 5 of the MLG at holes 43, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, and 54, in accordance with the applicable service bulletin listed in Table 4 of this AD. Perform the inspections at the applicable time specified in paragraph (j)(1), (j)(2), (j)(3), or (j)(4) of this AD. Repeat the inspections thereafter at intervals not to exceed 700 flight cycles until the terminating modification required by paragraph (l) of this AD is accomplished. Accomplishment of the inspections per paragraph (j) of this AD terminates the inspection requirements of paragraph (g) of this AD.

TABLE 4—SERVICE BULLETINS FOR F	REPETITIVE	INSPECTIONS
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Model—	Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated-
A300 B4-601, B4-603, B4-620, B4-622, B4-605R, B4-	A300–57A6087	04, including Appendix 01	February 19, 2002.
622R, and F4-605R airplanes.		05, including Appendix 01	March 10, 2008.
A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes.	A300–57A0234	05, including Appendix 01	February 19, 2002.

(1) For Model A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2– 203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes; and Model A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4–622R, and F4–605R airplanes that have accumulated 18,000 or more total flight cycles as of July 18, 2006: Within 700 flight cycles after July 18, 2006.

(2) For Model A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, and B2–203 airplanes that have accumulated less than 18,000 total flight cycles as of July 18,

2006: Prior to the accumulation of 18,000 total flight cycles, or within 700 flight cycles after July 18, 2006, whichever occurs later.

(3) For Model A300 B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes that have accumulated less than 18,000 total flight cycles as of July 18, 2006: Prior to the accumulation of 14,500 total flight cycles, or within 700 flight cycles after July 18, 2006, whichever occurs later.

(4) For Model A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4– 620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4–622R, and F4– 605R airplanes that have accumulated less than 18,000 total flight cycles as of July 18, 2006: Prior to the accumulation of 11,600 total flight cycles, or within 700 flight cycles after July 18, 2006, whichever occurs later.

#### **Crack Repair**

(k) If any crack is detected during any inspection required by paragraph (j) of this AD, prior to further flight, accomplish the requirements of paragraphs (k)(1) and (k)(2) of this AD, as applicable.

(1) If a crack is detected at only one hole, and the crack does not extend out of the spotface of the hole, repair in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A300–57A0234, Revision 05, including Appendix 01, dated February 19, 2002 (for Model A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4– 203 airplanes); or A300–57A6087, Revision 04, including Appendix 01, dated February 19, 2002; or A300–57A6087, Revision 05, dated March 10, 2008 (for Model A300 B4– 601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4– 622R, and F4–605R airplanes); as applicable.

(2) If a crack is detected at more than one hole, or if any crack at any hole extends out of the spotface of the hole, repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, or the EASA (or its delegated agent).

#### Terminating Modification for Repetitive Inspections Required by Paragraphs (g) and (j) of This AD for Certain Airplanes

(l) For airplanes on which the terminating modification in paragraph (i) of this AD has

not been accomplished before July 18, 2006: At the earlier of the times specified in paragraphs (l)(1) and (l)(2) of this AD, modify Gear Rib 5 of the MLG attachment fittings at the lower flange. Except as provided by paragraph (m) of this AD, do the modification in accordance with the applicable service bulletin in Table 5 of this AD. This action terminates the repetitive inspections requirements of paragraphs (g) and (j) of this AD.

 Prior to the accumulation of 21,000 total flight cycles, or within 2 years after October 20, 1999, whichever is later.
Within 16 months after July 18, 2006.

## TABLE 5—SERVICE BULLETINS FOR TERMINATING MODIFICATION

Model—	Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated-
A300 B4–601, B4–603, B4–620, B4–622, B4–605R, B4– 622B and F4–605B airplanes.	A300–57–6088	04	December 3, 2003.
A300 B2–1C, B2K–3C, B2–203, B4–2C, B4–103, and B4–203 airplanes	A300–57–0235	04	March 13, 2003.
D4-203 alipianes.		05	December 3, 2003.

(m) Where the applicable service bulletin specified in paragraph (l) of this AD specifies to contact Airbus for modification instructions; or if there is a previously installed repair at any of the affected fastener holes; or if a crack is found when accomplishing the modification: Prior to further flight, modify in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, or the EASA (or its delegated agent).

## Actions Accomplished per Previous Issues of Service Bulletins

(n) Actions accomplished before July 18, 2006, in accordance with the service

bulletins listed in Table 6 of this AD, are considered acceptable for compliance with the corresponding action specified in paragraphs (g) through (m) of this AD.

## TABLE 6—PREVIOUS ISSUES OF SERVICE BULLETINS

Airbus service bulletin—	Revision—	Dated—
A300–57–0235	02, including Appendix 01 03	September 27, 1999. September 5, 2002.
A300–57–6088	02 03	September 5, 2000. March 13, 2003.

## No Reporting

(o) Although the service bulletins identified in Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this AD specify to submit certain information to the manufacturer, this AD does not include such a requirement.

Restatement of Requirements of AD 2010– 23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010), with Certain Service Information Required after the Effective Date of This AD:

#### **Actions and Compliance**

(p) Unless already done, do the following actions.

(1) At the applicable time specified in paragraph (p)(2) of this AD, perform a detailed inspection for cracking at the locations specified in paragraphs (p)(1)(i), (p)(1)(ii), and (p)(1)(ii) of this AD, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A0246, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A6101, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; as applicable. As of the effective date of this AD only Revision 04 of these service bulletins may be used.

(i) The bottom flange and vertical web in the area between the wing rear spar/gear Rib 5 attachment and the forward reaction-rod pick-up lug.

(ii) On the inboard side, around the fastener holes at locations 43, 47 to 50, 52, and 54.

(iii) On the outboard side, the lower flange, the vertical web and around the fastener holes at locations 43, 47 to 50, 52 and 54.

(2) Do the inspection required by paragraph (p)(1) of this AD at the later of the times in paragraphs (p)(2)(i) and (p)(2)(ii) of this AD.

(i) Within 400 flight cycles after the accomplishment of the actions required by paragraph (i) or (l) of this AD, as applicable.

(ii) Within 400 flight cycles or 4 months after January 5, 2011 (the effective date of AD 2010–23–26, Amendment 39–16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010)), whichever occurs first.

(3) If no cracking is detected during the inspection required by paragraph (p)(1) of

this AD, before further flight, perform a fluorescent penetrant inspection (FPI) at holes location 47 and 54, in the right-hand and left-hand MLG Rib 5 attachment fitting lower flange, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A0246, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300– 57A6101, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; as applicable. As of the effective date of this AD, only Revision 04 of these service bulletins may be used.

(4) Thereafter, at intervals not to exceed 400 flight cycles, repeat the detailed and FPI inspections, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A0246, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300– 57A6101, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; as applicable; until the terminating action required by paragraph (q) of this AD has been 62678

accomplished. As of the effective date of this AD, only Revision 04 of these service bulletins may be used.

(5) If any crack is detected during any of the inspections required by paragraphs (p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(4) of this AD, and Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A0246, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300-57A6101, Revision 03, dated March 11, 2009, or Revision 04, dated September 9, 2009; recommends contacting Airbus for appropriate action: Before further flight, contact Airbus for a repair solution, and do the repair; or repair the cracking using a method approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, or EASA or its delegated agent. As of the effective date of this AD, only Revision 04 of these service bulletins may be used.

New Requirements of This AD:

#### **Terminating Action**

(q) Within 30 months after the effective date of this AD: Modify the spot-faces around all the fastener holes at locations 43, 47 to 50, 52, and 54 (except for spot-faces of holes which have been previously repaired) on the bottom flange MLG ribs, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–0254, Revision 01, including Appendix 1, dated June 14, 2011; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–6110, Revision 01, including Appendix 1, dated June 6, 2011; as applicable. Accomplishing this modification terminates the repetitive inspection requirements of paragraph (p)(4) of this AD.

#### Credit for Actions Accomplished in Accordance With Previous Service Information

(r) Modifying the spot-faces before the effective date of this AD, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–0254, dated June 4, 2010; or Airbus Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–6110, dated June 7, 2010; as applicable; is considered acceptable for compliance with the requirements of paragraph (q) of this AD.

## **FAA AD Differences**

**Note 4:** This AD differs from the MCAI and/or service information as follows: No differences.

#### **Other FAA AD Provisions**

(s) The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs): Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or local Flight Standards District Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the International Branch, send it to ATTN: Dan Rodina, Aerospace Engineer,

## TABLE 7—RELATED SERVICE INFORMATION

International Branch, ANM-116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98057-3356; telephone (425) 227-2125; fax (425) 227-1149. Information may be e-mailed to: 9-ANM-116-AMOC-REQUESTS@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office/ certificate holding district office. The AMOC approval letter must specifically reference this AD. AMOCs approved previously in accordance with AD 2000-05-07, Amendment 39-11616 (65 FR 12077, March 8, 2000); AD 2006-12-13, Amendment 39-14639 (69 FR 54063, September 7, 2004); and AD 2010-23-26, Amendment 39-16516 (75 FR 74610, December 1, 2010), are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding provisions of this AD.

(2) Airworthy Product: For any requirement in this AD to obtain corrective actions from a manufacturer or other source, use these actions if they are FAA-approved. Corrective actions are considered FAA-approved if they are approved by the State of Design Authority (or their delegated agent). You are required to assure the product is airworthy before it is returned to service.

## **Related Information**

(t) Refer to MCAI EASA Airworthiness Directive 2011–0029, dated February 24, 2011; and the service information specified in Table 7 of this AD, for related information.

Airbus—	Revision—	Dated—
Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A0246 Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–0254 Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57A6101 Mandatory Service Bulletin A300–57–6110	04, including Appendices 1 and 2 01 04, including Appendices 1 and 2 01	September 9, 2009. June 14, 2011. September 9, 2009.
Service Bulletin A300–57A0234	02	June 24, 1999.
Service Bulletin A300–57A6087	03, including Appendix 01     04, including Appendix 01     05, including Appendix 01     02, including Appendix 01     03, including Appendix 01     04, including Appendix 01     05, including Appendix 01     06, including Appendix 01     07, including Appendix 01     08, including Appendix 01     09, including Appendix 01     00, including Appendix 01     01, including Appendix 01	September 2, 1999. May 19, 2000. February 19, 2002. June 24, 1999. May 19, 2000. February 19, 2002. March 10, 2008.
Service Bulletin A300-57-0235	04	March 13, 2003.
Service Bulletin A300-57-6088	05 04	December 3, 2003. December 3, 2003.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on September 30, 2011.	CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION	<b>ACTION:</b> Advance notice of proposed rulemaking.
Ali Bahrami,		
Manager. Transport Airplane Directorate.	16 CFR Chapter II	<b>SUMMARY:</b> The Consumer Product Safety
Aircraft Certification Service.		Commission ("CPSC" or "Commission"
[EP Dec. 2011, 26112 Filed 10, 7, 11, 9,45 am]	[Docket No. CBSC_2011_007/]	or "we") is considering whether a new
[FK D00. 2011–20113 Fileu 10–7–11, 8.45 alli]	[DOCKET NO. OF 30-2011-0074]	performance safety standard is needed
BILLING CODE 4910–13–P		performance safety standard is needed
	Table Saw Blade Contact Injuries;	to address an unreasonable risk of injury
	Advance Notice of Proposed	associated with table saws. We are
	Rulemaking: Request for Comments	conducting this proceeding under the

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety

and Information

Commission.

authority of the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA"), 15 U.S.C. 2051– 2084. This advance notice of proposed rulemaking ("ANPR") invites written comments from interested persons