

R22 SERVICE LETTER SL-92

R44 SERVICE LETTER SL-81

R66 SERVICE LETTER SL-39

DATE: 30 June 2021

TO: R22-series, R44-series, & R66 Owners, Operators, & Maintenance Personnel

SUBJECT: ELT Security

ROTORCRAFT AFFECTED: Helicopters equipped with optional 406 MHz Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) manufactured by Kannad (Orolia).

BACKGROUND: RHC received a report of an ELT hook & loop retaining strap failure, which allowed the ELT to fall into the drive train.

COMPIANCE PROCEDURE:

During periodic inspections, maintenance personnel should verify the ELT is properly seated in the mounting bracket and the hook & loop strap has no slack or deterioration.

The hook & loop strap and mounting bracket may deteriorate over time and should be replaced if damage is noted, or every 12 years, whichever occurs first. A Kannad P/N S1840502-01 kit (available from RHC Customer Service) includes a mounting bracket and hook & loop strap.

Ensure a secondary strap is installed. Acceptable secondary straps are:

- B359-2 Releasable ty-rap (installed at RHC factory circa 2008 – 2011)
- D693-4 Strap (installed at RHC factory circa 2011 – 2021)
- MS3367-6-0 Ty-rap (current production)

Early R22 and R44 Kannad ELT installations did not include a secondary strap and should be upgraded. Refer to figure on page 2.

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