

**OPERATIONS SAFETY NOTICE**

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TO: All Owners/Operators of Bell 204 Helicopters

SUBJECT: DRIVE LINK P/N 204-011-407-001, INSPECTION OF.

Bell Helicopter has recently investigated a problem related to cracked upper and lower lugs on drive link P/N 204-011-407-001. The investigation revealed that the cracking was caused by excessive motion between the bushings flanges and the drive link lugs.

The purpose of this Operations Safety Notice (OSN) is to remind owners/operators of the importance of the inspection on all flight control components per the applicable maintenance manual. Any evidence of black/gray fretting material is an indication of wear which requires further investigation. If any visual cracking or black/gray fretting material is observed, the subject parts must be removed/disassembled and inspected per the applicable CR&O Manual.