

Bell Helicopter **TEXTRON**

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INFORMATION LETTER 407-04-82

TO: All Owners/Operators of Bell 407 Helicopters

SUBJECT: Mast Assembly 407-040-011-101, /-103 and /-105 Sleeve replacement.

BHT-407-CR&O, Chapter 63, Revision 02 incorporates a new procedure which adds a requirement to perform an inspection and conditional replacement of the mast lower cone sleeve.

This inspection of the mast lower cone sleeve is now part of the overhaul procedures and must be performed at every overhaul.

If, during the inspection process, it is determined that the mast must be reworked and the sleeve replaced, the mast shall be sent to Bell Tennessee. Bell Tennessee is the only facility that is approved to perform this rework and sleeve installation. The rework of the mast and / or sleeve replacement will require the mast to remain at Bell Tennessee for approximately 5 business days. If it is preferable, the mast may be sent to Bell Tennessee for the complete overhaul.

For pricing and scheduling of the 407 mast rework and / or sleeve replacement, or any other Component Repair and Overhaul requirement, please contact:

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