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INFORMATION LETTER 206L-07-83

TO: All Owners/Operators of Bell 206L Series Helicopters

SUBJECT: WASHERS NAS1149F0632P USED IN TAILBOOM ATTACHMENT HARDWARE, DEFORMATION OF.

Bell Helicopter has received reports that thin washers NAS1149F0632P were found deformed after final torque application to the tailboom attachment hardware. Damaged thin washers are typically recognizable by their oval shape and will normally stick out of the washer stack-up. When removed they will be thinner and their inner and outer diameter will be enlarged and may have an oval shape. A visual inspection can easily detect deformed thin washers when installed. Deformed thin washers will not cause torque loss, however their replacement is recommended when practical.

The 206L Series Illustrated Parts Breakdown Manual has been revised to show the NAS1149G0663P (thick steel alloy) washer as a replacement to the NAS1149F0632P (thin carbon steel). This information was released at Revision 4, dated 12 June 2007.

The 206L, L1, L3 and L4 Maintenance Manuals will also be revised to reflect the thick washer requirement.