

INFORMATION LETTER

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TO: All owners and operators of Model 214B/B-1 and 214ST helicopters

SUBJECT: Parts Applicable to the 214B, 214B-1 & 214ST with "D" Prefixes

Some parts used in the 214 product line are also used in non-214 rotorcraft. In the past Bell had no identifying differences to distinguish the design or production of these parts. With the 214 type and production certificates coming under Erickson's ownership, Erickson is required to separate the design and production documentation of these parts, which Bell may continue to produce in the future for other platforms. In order to do this, Erickson marks the design data with a "D" prefix and places that prefix in front of the part numbers when they are newly manufactured. The "D" does NOT signify any change in design or production of the parts themselves. It is only an identifier to distinguish the fact that those parts may now exist under two separate type and production certificate holders. 214 Customers may use and install parts with or without the "D" prefix.

Example using the TT Strap:

Original Part Number: 214-010-179-003
Newly Manufactured Part Number: D214-010-179-003

Therefore, when you receive a part from Erickson with a "D" in front of it, all of the existing manual instructions apply to that part in the same way as if the parts have no "D" prefix. This includes but is not limited to parts shown in the Airworthiness Limitations Schedule, Component Overhaul Schedule, Maintenance Manual, Tech Bulletins, Component Repair & Overhaul Manual, Illustrated Parts Breakdown, and any supplementary manuals or documents.

Going forward, Erickson will update the Airworthiness Limitations Schedule to formally recognize the "D" prefix, and perhaps other manuals as well.

For any questions regarding this Information Letter, please contact your Erickson Customer Support Representative.

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