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Inkraftsetzung Mise en vigueur Entrata in vigore Effective Date	PILATUS - PC-9(M) FOCA TC/TCDS No.: F 56-32 ATA 28	

TITLE: **PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD. – PC-9(M)**
ENGINE DRIVEN FUEL PUMP-RELIEF VALVE BODY SCREWS

APPLICABILITY: PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD.

- (1) All Model PC-9(M) airplanes, Manufacturer Serial Numbers (MSN) 605 thru MSN 607, and MSN 617 thru MSN 654, with Engine Driven Pump (EDP) Lear Romec Part Number RG9570R1, PILATUS Part Number 968.84.51.106 installed.
- (2) All EDPs with Lear Romec Part Number RG9570R1, PILATUS Part Number 968.84.51.106 held as spare.

NOTE:

EDPs with Lear Romec Part Number RG9570R1/M, PILATUS Part Number 968.84.51.108 are not affected.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 28 September 2001

REASON:

This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is prompted by an instance of fuel leakage on the Engine Driven Fuel Pump (EDP). It has been found that the torque of the screws that attach the EDP relief-valve cover to the relief valve housing is not correct. It is also possible that the gasket of the EDP can extrude between the relief valve housing and the EDP housing, due to compression set of gasket and diaphragm after operational thermal cycling, relieving the torque on the relief valve attachment screws. This could result in a fire hazard.

In order to correct the condition described this Airworthiness Directive requires torque check inspection of the EDP relief-valve-cover screws, inspection of the EDP for signs of fuel leakage or extruded gasket material and replacement of the EDP if necessary.


COMPLIANCE: (Required as indicated, unless already accomplished)

(a) Required within the next 20 hours time-in-service (TIS) or 30 days after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first;

- (1) Inspect the joints between the EDP housing, relief valve housing and the relief-valve cover for signs of fuel leakage and/or extruded gasket material.
- (2) If during the inspection required by paragraph (a)(1) of this AD signs of fuel leakage and/or extruded gasket material is found; prior to further flight, remove the applicable EDP and install unit with new Part Number 968.84.51.108 (Lear Romec Part Number RG9570R1/M).
- (3) If no signs of fuel leakage or extruded gasket material is found, perform torque check inspection of the relief-valve cover screws. If the torque does not meet the specifications, tighten screws to the required torque as specified in and in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of PILATUS PC-9(M) Service Bulletin No. 28-004, dated August 10, 2001 or later revisions approved by the Swiss Federal Office for Civil Aviation (FOCA).

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(b) Spare Parts:

As of the effective date of this AD, no person shall install any Engine Driven Fuel Pump (EDP) Lear Romec Part Number RG9570R1, PILATUS Part Number 968.84.51.106, on any Model PILATUS PC-9(M) airplane.

REF. PUBLICATIONS:

- PILATUS PC-9(M) Service Bulletin No. 28-004, dated August 10, 2001 or later revisions approved by the Swiss Federal Office for Civil Aviation (FOCA).

The applicable manufacturer's documentation may be obtained directly from:

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