DETERIORATION EFFECTS OF OZONE

DASA wishes to raise awareness to aircraft operators of the potential for unintended damage to aircraft and aeronautical product containing rubbers where atmospheric ozone-generating systems are used as a means to deter avian wildlife from maintenance facilities. Malfunction or operation of these systems that are not in accordance with the system design or manufacturers' operating instructions may create conditions for ozone attack on rubbers and resins on aircraft and aeronautical product, rendering these components unserviceable.

DASA recommends that deliberate inspections on aeronautical product containing rubbers are conducted as soon as practicable where there are known or suspect occurrences of malfunction or incorrect operation of ozone generating systems.

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