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TO—All owners and operators of Hughes Helicopters

SUBJECT: BELT DRIVE CLUTCH ENGAGEMENT SPRING P/N 5476-
AVAILABILITY AND UTILIZATION

MODELS AFFECTED: All 269A, Commercial 269A (TH55A), 269A-1 and 269B
Helicopters

The clutch engagement spring noted above is fabricated of a different material which has a higher resistance to fatigue and corrosion. Corrosion has proven to be a particular problem for operators engaged in agricultural application, since the chemicals used are in many cases highly corrosive and in turn, induce hydrogen embrittlement with resultant spring breakage.

The new spring is dimensionally interchangeable with the old part and is usable on all models. The manufacturer recommends that all owners and operators obtain the new part whenever replacement of the spring is necessary; the part is available and may be ordered from the Parts Department.