

R44

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SERVICE LETTER SL-27

DATE: 15 October 2004

TO: R44 & R44 II Owners, Operators, and Service Centers

ROTORCRAFT AFFECTED: R44 & R44 II helicopters with oblique tailpipe exit.

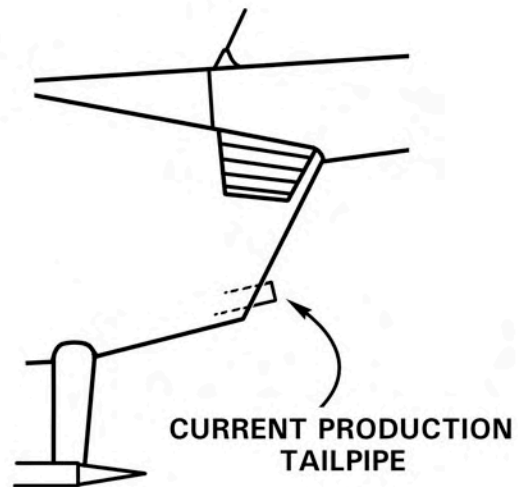
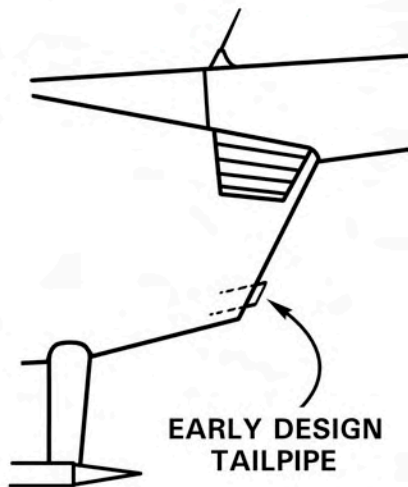
TIME OF COMPLIANCE: Discretionary

BACKGROUND: Refer to figures below. Current production helicopters have a tailpipe cutoff 90 degrees relative to tailpipe's long axis. This has proven to minimize exhaust impingement on, and subsequent discoloration of, the panel immediately above the tailpipe. RHC has developed an optional tailpipe extension to enable upgrade of early design tailpipes.

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COMPLIANCE INFORMATION:

1. For each helicopter to be modified, order 1 each KI-176 kit.
2. Install extension per kit instructions.



APPROXIMATE COST:

Parts: Current KI-176 list price of \$37.50 discounted to \$20 if ordered before 30 January 2005. No charge for helicopters covered under two-year warranty; warranty orders must reference helicopter serial number.

Labor: 1 man-hour.