

**R44**

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**SERVICE LETTER SL-17**

**DATE:** 8 September 1998

**TO:** All R44 Owners, Operators, and Service Centers

**SUBJECT:** Collective Spring and Support

**BACKGROUND:** RHC has developed a new collective spring and spring support which improve balance of collective control forces when C016-2 main rotor blades are installed.

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**COMPLIANCE PROCEDURE:**

1. Verify aircraft has complied with R44 SB-13, if applicable.
2. For aircraft which have complied with R44 SB-28, if difficulty is encountered balancing collective control forces, order one KI-141 Rev A (or subsequent) kit. (C016-2 main rotor blades shipped after 4 September 1998 include KI-141 kit.)
3. Install kit per instructions.

**Approximate Cost:**

Parts: No charge. (Order must include helicopter serial number.)

Labor: 2 manhours.