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R22 SERVICE LETTER SL-82B

(supersedes R22 SL-82A)

R44 SERVICE LETTER SL-68B

(supersedes R44 SL-68A)

R66 SERVICE LETTER SL-26B

(supersedes R66 SL-26A)

DATE: 25 June 2018 **REV:** 29 July 2019

TO: R22-series, R44-series, & R66 Owners, Operators, & Maintenance Personnel

SUBJECT: Main Rotor Blade Tip Plate Permanent Removal

BACKGROUND: RHC recommends permanently removing C155 tip plates from A016-6, C016-7, & F016-2 main rotor blades to facilitate inspections and reduce chance of corrosion.

C155 tip plates (1 per blade) were installed on:

- A016-6 Revision AT, AU, & AV main rotor blade assemblies (R22)
- C016-7 Revision AH & AI main rotor blade assemblies (R44)
- F016-2 Revision H & I main rotor blade assemblies (R66)

Main rotor blade part number and Revision letter are on data plate on inboard lower skin.

COMPLIANCE PROCEDURE:

Refer to Figure on page 2. For each affected main rotor blade:

- 1. Position main rotor blade to allow tip access and apply rotor brake. Support blade in level (spanwise) position with cushioned stand.
- 2. Remove tip cover from blade.
- 3. Using razor blade held parallel with tip plate and mallet, initiate separation of tip plate from blade tip at leading edge. Peel off plate by pulling with pliers.
- 4. Comply with R22 SL-83 / R44 SL-70 / R66 SL-30. If tip plate was removed from only one blade, weigh removed tip plate and add equal amount balance weight to tip.
- 5. Make appropriate maintenance record entries.

