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**TO EXEC 162F OWNERS  
WITH  
AIRFRAME SERIAL NUMBERS 6670 to 6736  
COLLECTIVE CONTROL ROD SERVICE LETTER**

RotorWay helicopter kits shipped from May to December, 2002 may have been supplied with a Collective Control Rod (part number E49-1400) that was made from the wrong material. This softer aluminum may bend or flex excessively, affecting the operation of the collective.

The correct material should be 6061 T-6 aluminum. This can be confirmed by reading the manufacturer's ink markings on the material. However, if the marks have been removed during cleaning, identification is more difficult.

The softer aluminum tube can be easily bent by hand, whereas the stronger 6061 T-6 aluminum is much more difficult to bend. If your helicopter has been flown with an incorrect tube, it may have already bent during operation.

If you determine or suspect that your helicopter has a control rod made of material other than 6061 T-6 aluminum, it should be replaced immediately. Please contact the factory for a replacement.