I, PETER MICHAEL WHITE, Executive Manager, Regulatory Services & Surveillance, a delegate of CASA, make this instrument under regulations 11.160 and 11.205 of the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998.

[Signed P. White]
Peter White
Executive Manager, Regulatory Services & Surveillance
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CASA EX16/19 — Approved Cockpit Voice Recorder System (Airbus EC175B Helicopters) Exemption 2019

1 Name
This instrument is CASA EX16/19 — Approved Cockpit Voice Recorder System (Airbus EC175B Helicopters) Exemption 2019.

2 Duration
This instrument:
(a) commences on 1 March 2019; and
(b) is repealed at the end of 30 November 2019.

3 Definitions
Note In this instrument, certain terms and expressions have the same meaning as they have in the Act and the Regulations. These include: air traffic control, AOC, flight training, pilot in command and V.M.C.

In this instrument:
Babcock means Babcock Offshore Services Australasia Pty Ltd, ARN 800160.

cockpit voice recorder system has the same meaning as in Civil Aviation Order 20.18.

relevant aircraft means an Airbus model EC175B helicopter operated by Babcock under its AOC.

4 Exemption
(1) Babcock and the pilot in command of a relevant aircraft are exempt from compliance with a provision mentioned in the following paragraphs, to the extent that the provision requires a relevant aircraft to be equipped with an approved cockpit voice recorder system that complies with Civil Aviation Order 103.20:
(a) subregulation 207 (2) and (3) of CAR;
(b) subparagraph 6.1 (a) and paragraph 6.2 of Civil Aviation Order 20.18.
(2) The exemption is subject to the conditions mentioned in sections 5 and 6.

5 **Condition — relevant aircraft**

Babcock must ensure that the aircraft audio system of a relevant aircraft is set:

(a) for maximum cockpit voice recorder clarity at all times; and
(b) in accordance with any system settings notified by CASA in writing.

*Note* A relevant aircraft must also have a flight data recording system that complies with Civil Aviation Order 103.19 — see subparagraph 6.2 (a) of Civil Aviation Order 20.18.

6 **Condition — relevant aircraft operating for certain kinds of training or testing**

(1) The following condition applies to a relevant aircraft operating for flight training, or for the purpose of testing that the aircraft, or equipment (other than a cockpit voice recording system) installed on the aircraft, complies with the manufacturer’s specifications.

(2) Babcock must ensure that the relevant aircraft is operated:

(a) by flight crew who hold a type rating for the aircraft; and
(b) by day in V.M.C.; and
(c) in the circuit area of an aerodrome; and
(d) while maintaining continuous 2-way communication with Babcock’s operations management, and with air traffic control; and
(e) at aerodromes where emergency services are available for the duration of the operation; and
(f) with the aircraft’s Vision 1000 cockpit camera recording system serviceable and operating; and
(g) in conjunction with Babcock’s satellite flight tracking system; and
(h) in simulated 1 engine inoperative time only to the minimum extent required for the purpose of the operation.