

THE EMB-120 BRASILIA  
IN SLD CONDITIONS  
&  
EMBRAER FLIGHT  
OPERATIONS  
SUPPORT  
FOR WINTER OPS

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# Background

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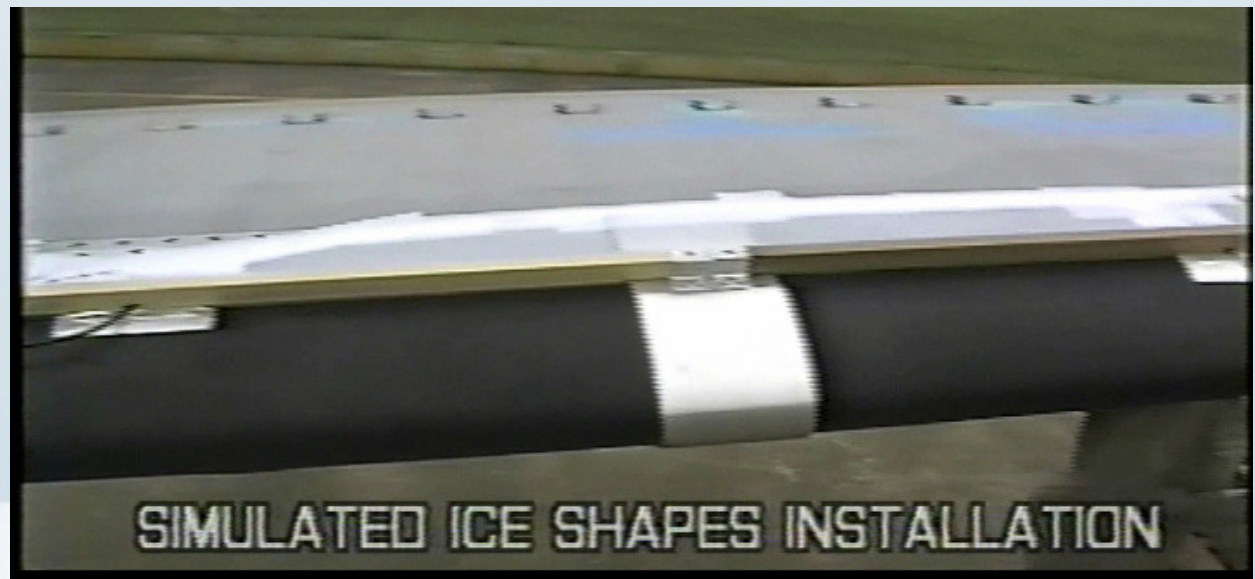
- **ATR-72 accident at Roselawn**, in October 1994, which resulted in an in-flight loss of control and subsequent dive until collision with the ground.
- The weather at the time of the accident involved atmospheric conditions outside of the FAA part 25 Appendix C, and involved **freezing rain** and **freezing drizzle**.
- At that time, no aircraft was required to demonstrate the capability of flying in severe icing conditions (SLD).
- Ice is a surprising phenomena -> loss of a turboprop at Los Menucos (Argentina) on May 2011, possibly involving severe icing, stall and loss of control.
- Embraer was required by certification authorities to assess the roll characteristics of the EMB-120 in SLD conditions.



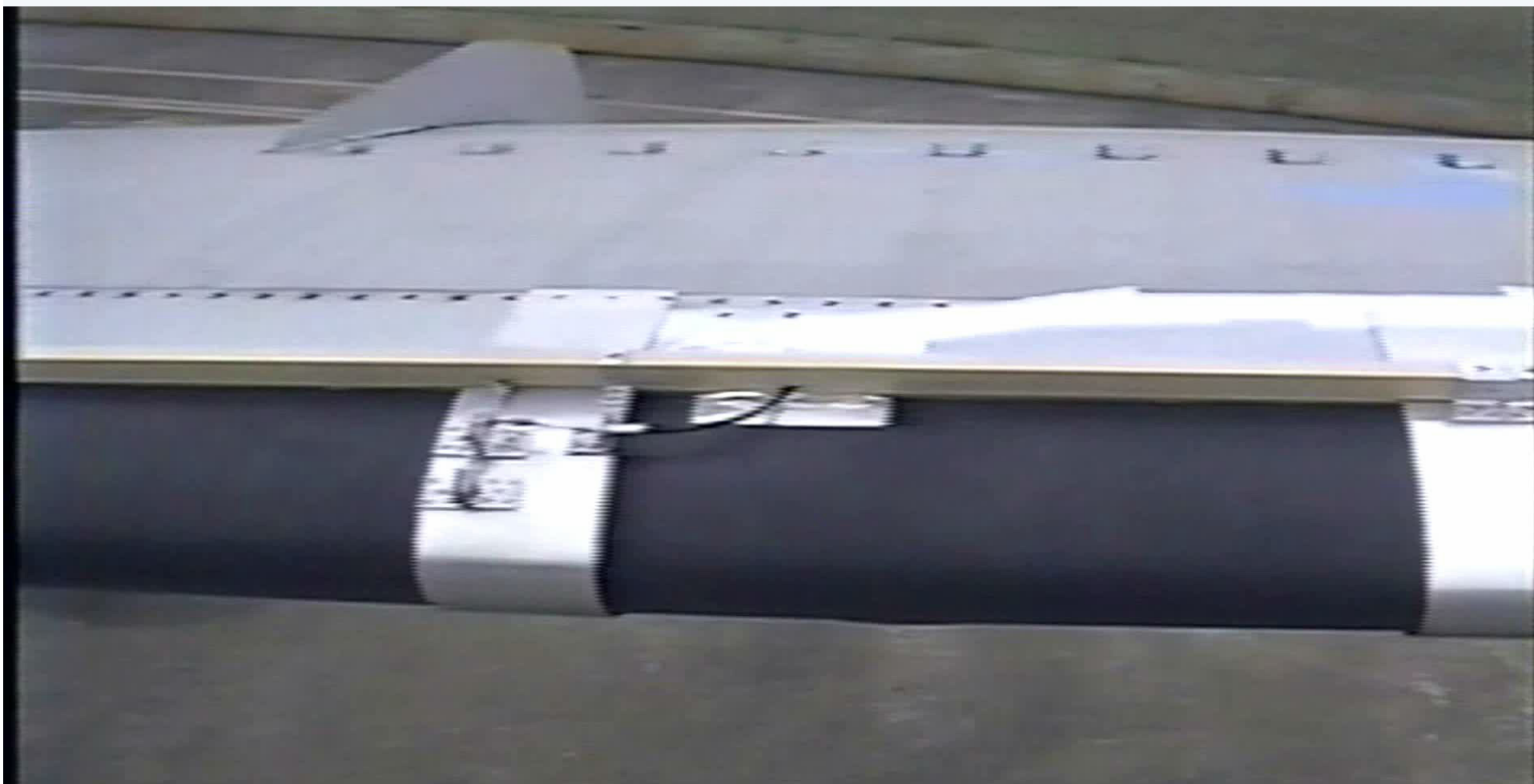
# FLIGHT TEST PREPARATION

## BEFORE CARRYING OUT FLIGHT TESTS

- Wind tunnel tests with artificial ice shapes to measure the effect on the aileron hinge moment.
- 1 and ½ inch have been evaluated for various aileron displacements.
- Hinge moment, loss of lift, drag increase, and rolling moments were introduced in the simulator model and flown.
- Results: after **successful** simulator flights, it was decided that a 1 and ½ inch wooden quarter molding should be positioned at the end of the last boot inflatable tube and proceed to real flights.



# FLIGHT TEST PREPARATION





# FLIGHT TEST WITH ARTIFICIAL ICE

## TO TAKEOFF SAFELY (SAFETY FIRST, NO SECRET)

- High speed taxi and operation of the jettison device.
- Flight with a molding covering 1/3 of the aileron span, first 1/2 inch molding, then 1 inch molding on both wings.
- Flight with the molding covering 2/3 of the aileron span on both wings.
- Flight with the molding covering full aileron span length. Artificial ice shapes released asymmetrically in flight.

## FLIGHT TEST RESULTS

- The aircraft was considered fully controllable.
- (Despite of) Simulated ice shape much more critical than a real SLD.
- (Despite of) Highly conservative test condition.

## FLIGHT TEST WITH ARTIFICIAL ICE



# ICING TANKER TESTS

## Purpose

- ...to determine the shape of the ice accumulated during freezing rain/freezing drizzle.
- ...to determine the visual cues to allow pilots to recognize when they are flying in SLD conditions.



# ICING TANKER TESTS

## The Icing Tanker and Chase Plane (cameras everywhere)

- A USAF KC-135 with boom-mounted water nozzle array.
- Capable of producing an icing “cloud” with the correct droplet size and water content.
- A Learjet was used as chase plane, with proper equipment to calibrate the water spray.





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## The Emb-120 Aircraft

- s/n 120.038, normal deicing boots with no surface treatment, very representative of the fleet.
- Total test time: 5,7 hours
- Airspeed: 160 and 175 kt
- Temperature:  $-1 < t < +5$  deg C
- MVD: 40  $\mu$  and 170  $\mu$
- LWC: 0,5 g/m<sup>3</sup> and 0,65 g/m<sup>3</sup>



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## Flight Test Results

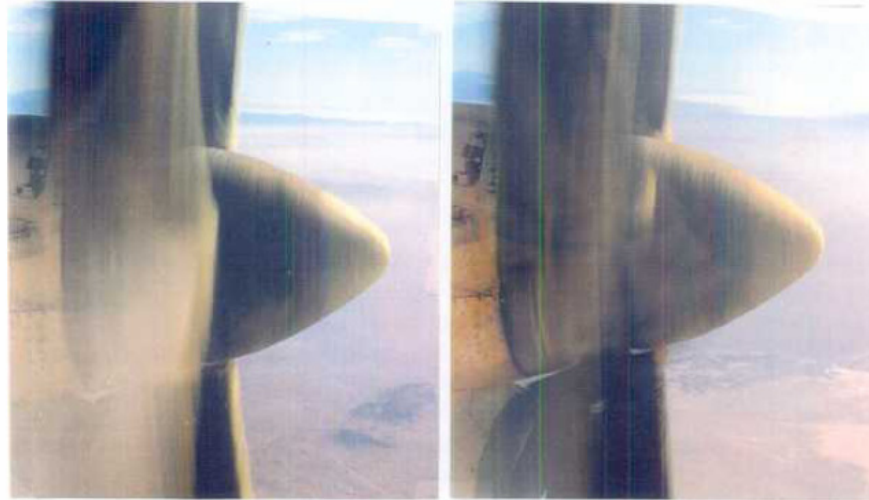
- Wing and engine air inlet boots, propeller, windshield and pitot-static tubes (elec anti-ice) exposed to SLD. All operated normally.
- Systems activated according to the AFM procedures.
- Flying qualities, handling and controllability remained unchanged.
- Ice indicator close to the pilot's side window is not effective.
- Ice on the windshield and propeller blades did not reveal any SLD cue.
- SLD ice on the wing and spinner revealed different accumulation patterns from normal icing, and were declared AFM appropriate visual cues.





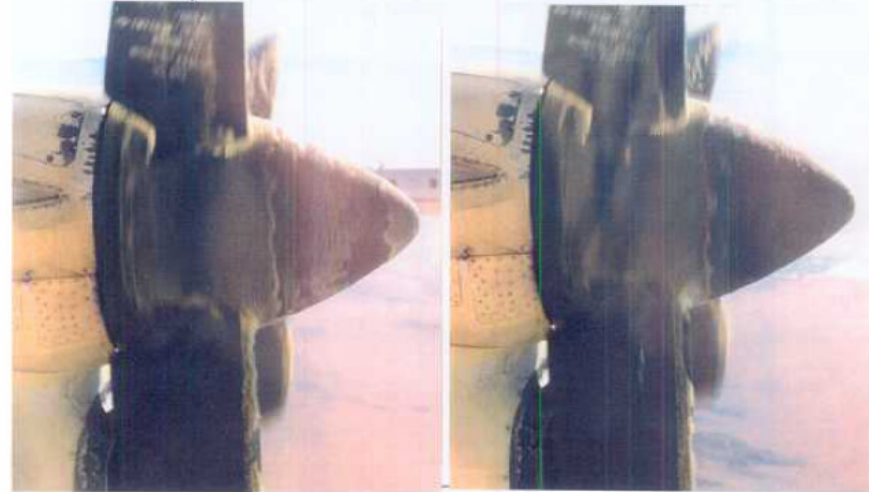
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## 40 $\mu$ SPRAY ON THE SPINNER



*Normal ice spray on the spinner shows ice accumulation concentrated on forward half.*

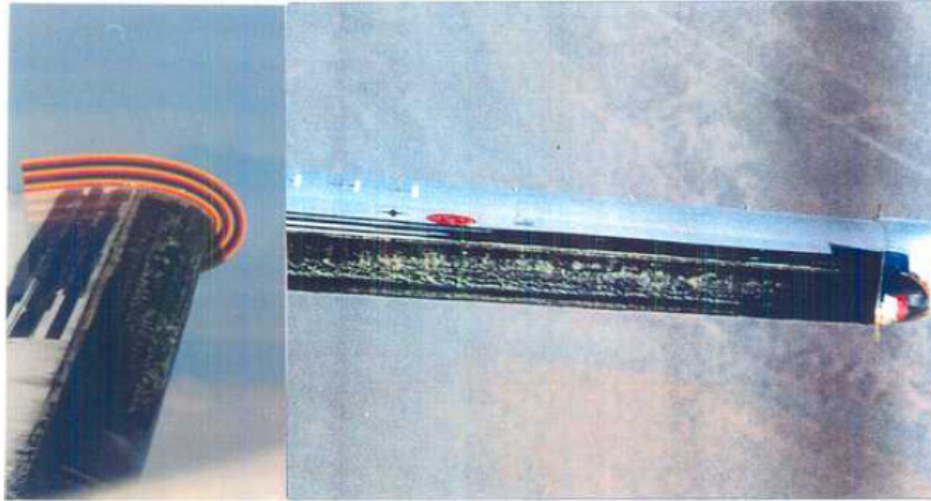
## 170 $\mu$ SPRAY ON THE SPINNER



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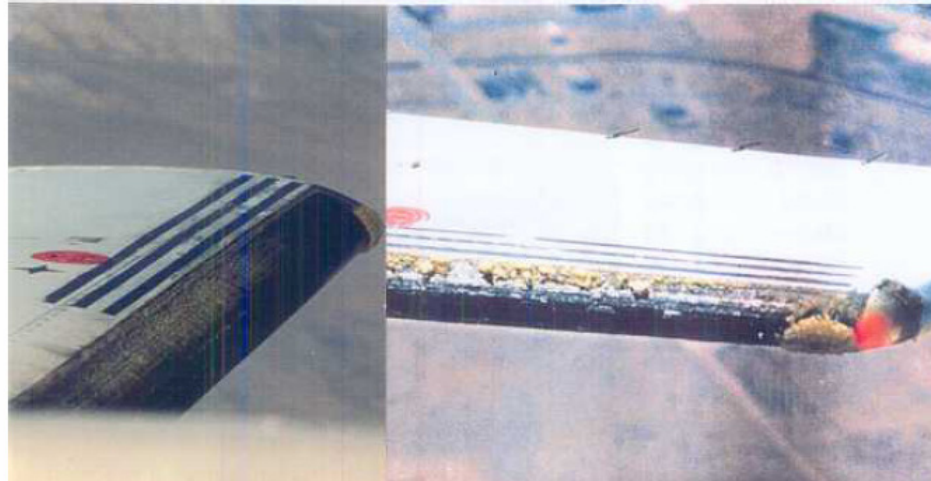
## 40 $\mu$ SPRAY ON THE WING

*These photos show normal icing in which ice begins forming on the protected area, where the inflation tubes are provided.*



## 170 $\mu$ SPRAY ON THE WING

*SLD ice spray on the wing shows ice accumulating on the de-icer aft of the last inflatable rib.*



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## PROCEDURES RESULTING FROM THE TESTS OR REQUIRED BY CERTIFICATION

- Turn boots immediately after recognizing icing conditions
- Turn AP off in icing (later authorized if installing the low speed alarm)
- AP off when flying SLD conditions
- Specific information regarding AP disengage, flaps operation, speeds to use etc
- Extensive revision to the AFM and issue of a special OPERATIONAL BULLETIN
- \* Distribution of a dedicated video covering all aspects regarding winter ops (Embraer Fit Ops initiative)!

## ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT MODIFICATIONS:

- Installation of the LOW SPEED ALARM for icing conditions (IAS < 160 kt)
- Installation of the ice detection system.
- Operation with only the fastest boot inflation cycle
- ... no boots size change





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1. EARLY INVOLVEMENT
2. GLOBAL AWARENESS
3. CONTINUOUS CARE WITH ALL FLEETS
4. KEEP FLYING
5. SHARE KNOWLEDGE



Embraer 145 Type II application at Kemi, Finland

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## EARLY INVOLVEMENT

- Presentations to design engineers of ice-related lessons-learned
- Specific inputs during new aircraft development and follow-up of system design
- Test proposal discussion
- Flight/ground tests personnel participation: cold soak (Eglin – Alaska – Russia), in-flight real icing tests
- Sharing of flight/ground test results.



Embraer 190 at Fairbanks, Alaska



# HOW DOES EMBRAER FLT OPS SUPPORT ICE?

## GLOBAL AWARENESS

- PARTICIPATION IN SAE G-12
  - 2 engineers continuous follow-up
- WINTER OPS CONGRESSES – CANADA, EUROPE, USA
  - 6 + engineers at the last Chicago Congress
- SAFETY ISSUES: Keep tracking of ice-related incidents and accident reports.
- PUBLICATIONS (FAA, EASA, TCAG, AEA, SAE): ARPs, SAFOs, ACs, ADs, SIBs, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ etc



Embraer 145 at Boston, USA



# HOW DOES EMBRAER FLT OPS SUPPORT ICE?

## CONTINUOUS CARE OF ALL FLEETS

- How does a new issue affect ALL Embraer aircraft?
- How is the fleet performing with regard to new technologies?
- How is the current airframe performing with regard to existing technologies?
- What can be done to solve a new issue? Will the airlines get it?



# HOW DOES EMBRAER FLT OPS SUPPORT ICE?

## KEEP FLYING

- Continuous contact with flight crews.
- Continuous research in Airline Flight Standards.
- Go to ice, wherever it is.



# HOW DOES EMBRAER FLT OPS SUPPORT ICE?

## SHARE KNOWLEDGE/EXPERIENCE

- FOR AFM/CERTIFICATION PURPOSES
- FOR STANDARD PROCEDURES AND OPERATIONS MANUAIS
- FOR MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES
- FOR CONSISTENCY OF INFORMATION BETWEEN EMBRAER INTERNAL AREAS
- FOR DESIGN SUPPORT
- FOR SAFETY PURPOSES
- FOR PRODUCING SPECIFIC TRAINING MATERIAL



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Operational Videos EMBRAER 170/175/190/195

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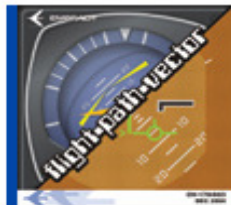
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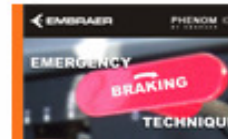
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