

Mexican delegates will continue to work on bilateral or trilateral issues outside the LTSS structure. For information and copies of the report call Jane Bachner, Deputy Associate Administrator for Policy/FRA, at (202) 366-0344.

5. Working Group 5—This group is seeking compatibility of standards related to the transportation of hazardous materials. Both the United States and Canada have essentially equivalent hazardous materials transportation requirements based on the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods. Mexico has enacted legislation that provides for the development of standards consistent with the U.N. recommendations. The working group held meetings in October 1994 and in January 1995. Last fall the United States and Mexico issued jointly the U.S. Emergency Response Guidebook (ERG) in Spanish, of which 30,000 copies have been distributed in Mexico. This enabled harmonization of U.S. and Mexican emergency response information requirements. The three countries plan to issue a North American ERG by January 1996 by consolidating the information in the U.S. and Canadian guidebooks. In addition, Mexico has adopted a number of other standards that are compatible with U.S. and Canadian hazardous materials transportation regulations. For information call Frits Wybenga, International Standards Coordinator for Hazardous Materials/RSPA, at (202) 366-0656.

Meetings and Deadline

The LTSS will hold its second plenary session on June 28, 1995, at the Wall Center Garden Hotel, 1088 Burrard Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. In conjunction with the plenary meeting, the working groups may meet at the same location on June 27 and 28. Also at the same site, on June 27, special sessions will be held for representatives for the truck, bus, rail, and chemical manufacturing industries, transportation labor unions, brokers, and shippers, public safety advocates, and others who have notified us of their interest to attend and have submitted copies of their presentations to DOT at the address below by May 12, 1995. Subsequently, the Department of Transportation will hold a public briefing in Washington, D.C., to discuss the results of the listening session and the plenary and working group meetings. A notice announcing the meeting's date, time, and place will be published in the Federal Register two weeks in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact David DeCarme, Chief, Maritime, Surface, and Facilitation Division, Office of International Transportation and Trade, Office of the Secretary of Transportation, at (202) 366-2892.

ADDRESS AND FAX NUMBER: Individuals and organizations interested in being placed on the mailing list for receiving LTSS-related information are requested to send a post card indicating the complete name and address where the information should be sent, and specifying the group or groups about which information is desired. Mail post cards to David DeCarme, U.S. Department of Transportation, OST/X-20, Room 10300, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Respondents may also send the above information by fax at (202) 366-7417.

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Coast Guard

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Demonstration of Software to Electronically Prepare Shipping Articles, Certificates of Discharge, and Transmit Mariner Sea Service Time to the Coast Guard

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is sponsoring a demonstration of the User Interface System (UIS). The UIS is a project to automate the collection and reporting process of mariner sea service data required by statutes. The UIS will allow shipping companies to electronically create shipping articles and certificates of discharge and transmit sea service data to the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard is also soliciting for participants in the testing process.

DATES: The demonstration will be held on Wednesday April 26, 1995, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The demonstration will be held at Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) Tower 1, 1710 Goodridge Drive, McLean, VA 22102.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Justine Bunnell, Project Officer, G-MVP-1, (202) 267-0238, Merchant Vessel Personnel Division of the Office of Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection. U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second

Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The User Interface System (UIS) is a component of the Mariner Identification card project (the new Merchant Mariner's Document). The UIS is being developed for the Coast Guard to improve the recordkeeping and transmittal of merchant mariner sea service data. The system will provide for electronic transfer of data from the shipping companies to the Coast Guard database located at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC. The software will provide an interface with the Mariner Identification card and the Merchant Mariner License and Document program, a national database of merchant mariner transactions, as well as maintain compatibility with common systems used in the marine industry.

The system was developed in a stand-alone PC environment to allow users to purchase off the shelf equipment or use existing equipment to operate the software. The UIS will allow the user to enter voyage specific information, enter and maintain mariner and ratings information, report data contained on shipping articles and certificates of discharge, electronically report sea service information to Coast Guard Headquarters, and at the company's option, read the Mariner's ID (MID) card magnetic stripe for expedient data entry and verification. Shipping companies with existing computer systems may also develop their own software to electronically transmit sea service information to the Coast Guard.

The demonstration will include an explanation of the software, the methods used to develop the software, how to use the program, and hands-on work by the participants. The development team will be available to assist with the hands-on work and answer questions. Participants may bring their own personal computer (PC) if they desire. The test participants will receive a copy of the UIS program to use for 30 days in their work environment. They will use the software to generate shipping articles, certificates of discharge, and reports. The test participants will electronically transmit sea service information to the Coast Guard during the test period. They will identify any problems, make suggestions for improvement, and evaluate the software. The problems, suggestions and evaluation information will be collected on forms provided with the software. The suggestion/evaluation forms will be submitted to the Coast Guard Project Officer.

Please notify Mrs. Justine Bunnell at (202) 267-0238 by April 19, 1995, if you plan to attend the demonstration, plan to bring your own PC to the demonstration, or are interested in participating in testing the software.

Dated: April 4, 1995.

G.N. Naccara,
*Acting Chief, Office of Marine Safety, Security
and Environmental Protection.*

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Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; Transport Airplane and Engine Issues—New Task

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of new task assignment for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC).

SUMMARY: Notice is given of a new task assigned to and accepted by the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC). This notice informs the public of the activities of ARAC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stewart R. Miller, Manager, Transport Standards Staff, ANM-110, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, 1601 Lind Ave. SW, Renton, WA 98055-4056, telephone (206) 227-2190, fax (206) 227-1320.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FAA has established an Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee to provide advice and recommendations to the FAA Administrator, through the Associate Administrator for Regulation and Certification, on the full range of the FAA's rulemaking activities with respect to aviation-related issues. This includes obtaining advice and recommendations on the FAA's commitment to harmonize its Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) and practices with its trading partners in Europe and Canada.

One area ARAC deals with is transport airplane and engine issues. These issues involve the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes in 14 CFR parts 25, 33, and 35 and parallel provisions in 14 CFR parts 121 and 135.

The Task

This notice is to inform the public that the FAA has asked ARAC to provide advice and recommendation on the following harmonization task:

Recommend disposition of public comments made to Notice of Proposed Rulemaking No. 94-29, which proposed to revise the gust load design requirements for transport category airplanes, and provide for harmonization of the discrete gust requirements with the Joint Aviation Requirements (JAR) of Europe as recently amended.

Contrary to the usual practice, the FAA is not asking ARAC as part of this task to develop a final draft of the next action (i.e., supplemental notice, final rule, or withdrawal). However, ARAC must provide a document setting forth the rationale for the recommended disposition of each of the comments.

ARAC Acceptance of Task

ARAC has accepted the task and has chosen to assign it to the existing Loads and Dynamics Harmonization Working Group. As a result of the new task assigned to the working group, membership is being reopened. The working group will serve as staff to ARAC to assist ARAC in the analysis of the assigned task. Working group recommendations must be reviewed and approved by ARAC. If ARAC accepts the working group's recommendations, it forwards them to the FAA as ARAC recommendations.

Working Group Reports to ARAC

The Loads and Dynamic Harmonization Working Group is expected to comply with the procedures adopted by ARAC. As part of the procedures, the working group is expected to:

1. Recommend a work plan for completion of the tasks, including the rationale supporting such a plan, for consideration at the meeting of ARAC to consider transport airplane and engine issues held following publication of this notice.

2. Give a detailed conceptual presentation of the proposed recommendations, prior to proceeding with the work stated in item 3 below.

3. For each task, draft appropriate regulatory documents with supporting economic and other required analyses, and/or any other related guidance material or collateral documents the working group determines to be appropriate; or, if new or revised requirements or compliance methods are not recommended, a draft report stating the rationale for not making such recommendations.

4. A status report at each meeting of ARAC held to consider transport airplane and engine issues.

Participation in the Working Group

The Loads and Dynamic Harmonization Working Group is

composed of experts from those organizations having an interest in the assigned task. A working group member need not be a representative of a member of the full committee.

An individual who has expertise in the subject matter and wishes to become a member of the working group should write to the person listed under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** expressing that desire, describing his or her interest in the tasks, and stating the expertise he or she would bring to the working group. The request will be reviewed by the assistant chair, the assistant executive director, and the working group chair, and the individual will be advised whether or not the request can be accommodated.

The Secretary of Transportation has determined that the formation and use of ARAC are necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the FAA by law.

Meetings of ARAC will be open to the public, except as authorized by section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meetings of the Loads and Dynamics Harmonization Working Group will not be open to the public, except to the extent that individuals with an interest and expertise are selected to participate. No public announcement of working group meetings will be made.

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Chris A. Christie,

Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; General Aviation and Business Airplane Issues—New Task

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of new task assignment for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC).

SUMMARY: Notice is given of a new task assigned to and accepted by the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC). This notice informs the public of the activities of ARAC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. John Colomy, Assistant Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee, FAA Small Airplane Directorate, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone (816) 426-6930.