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In July 1996, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative and the American Institute in Taiwan concluded with their Taiwanese counterparts an agreement on the licensing and provision of wireless services through the establishment of a competitive, transparent and fair wireless market in Taiwan.

Specifically, the Directorate General of Telecommunications (DGT) and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office confirmed that: the telecommunication regulatory function and telecommunications service provider function have been entirely separated; DGT would initiate procure to remove the profit cap and draft a new formula for tariff schedules; interconnection agreements between wireless operators and Chunghwa Telecom Co. ("CHT") would be cost-based, transparent, unbundled and non-discriminatory and the terms of such agreements publicly available; DGT would not permit cross-subsidization between CHT's fixed-line and wireless operations; DGT would relax the debt/equity ratio for wireless bidders and not restrict a bidder from obtaining all three regional licenses, subject to the policy that an island-wide licensee is not eligible for a regional license; and DGT would remove unauthorized spectrum users. DGT also agreed to review foreign ownership limitations.

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the operation and effectiveness of the telecommunications trade agreements with Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Mexico, and Canada.

Comments must be filed on or before January 24, 1997. Comments must be in English and provided in 15 copies to: Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, Trade Policy Staff Committee, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20508.

Comments will be open to public inspection, except confidential business information exempt from public inspection. Confidential business information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page on each of 15 copies, and must be accompanied by a nonconfidential summary of the confidential information. The nonconfidential

summary shall be placed in the file that is open to public inspection.

Federick L. Montgomery,
Chairman, Trade Policy Staff Committee.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration
Extension of Public Comment Period Regarding Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Development at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, St. Louis, MO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, Central Region, Kansas City, Missouri.

ACTION: Notice of extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces that it has extended the public comment period regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed new parallel runway and associated proposed development at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. A revised and updated list of references has been provided to reviewers of the Draft EIS and placed in copies of the Draft EIS located at city halls and libraries.

DATES: The comment period, which was scheduled to end December 18, 1996, has been extended an additional thirty (30) days. In order to be considered, written comments must be received on or before January 17, 1997.

ADDRESS: Send comments to Ms. Mo Keane, Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, ACE 615B, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106-2808.

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George A. Hendon,
Manager, Airports Division.

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[Summary Notice No. PE-96-59]
Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application,

processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before January 6, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No. _____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: nprmcmts@faa.dot.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Haynes (202) 267-3939 or Angela Anderson (202) 267-9681 Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 12227
Petitioner: National Business Aircraft Association, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.119, 91.409, 91.501(a), 91.503 through 91.535, and 91.515(a)(1)

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit National Business Aircraft Association, Inc. members to use inspection programs required for large turbojet or turbo-propeller-powered aircraft for their small civil airplanes and helicopters.