

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration**

[Summary Notice No. PE-97-47]

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 Ch. 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 October 13, 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, D.C. 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: 9-NPRM-CMNTS@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, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heather Thorson (202) 267-7470 or Angela Anderson (202) 267-9681 Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (c), (e), and (g) of § 11.27 of Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

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Petitions for Exemption

Docket No.: 28952.

Petitioner: Minebea Technologies PTE Ltd.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 119.5(h).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Minebea Technologies, the holder of a 14 CFR part 125 operating certificate to conduct common carriage operations.

Docket No.: 28955.

Petitioner: James W. Shafer.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.307(c).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit the petitioner to permanently mount and use a BRS 1050 ballistic parachute in his Rans S-10 experimental category aircraft (Registration No. N141EB) in lieu of the individual approved parachutes required by § 91.307(c).

Docket No.: 28909.

Petitioner: Casey Holdings, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.307(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit the petitioner to perform certain intentional maneuvers in its Boeing 707-300 aircraft that cause the aircraft to exceed 30 degrees of pitch altitude, without requiring each occupant aboard that aircraft to wear an approved parachute.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 28977.

Petitioner: Freight Runners Express.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to operate its aircraft under part 135 without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed.

Grant, 9/8/97, Exemption No. 6675.

Docket No.: 12656.

Petitioner: Department of Defense.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR part 139.

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the issuance of FAA Airport Operating Certificates for those DOD airports equipped and operated in accordance with applicable DOD standards and procedures that serve, or expect to serve, air carrier aircraft having a seating capacity of more than 30 passenger seats, without those airports complying with the certification and operating requirements of part 139.

Grant, 9/2/97, Exemption No. 5750B. Docket No.: 29002.

Petitioner: Peninsula Airways, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.709(b)(3).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit properly trained PenAir flight crewmembers to install and/or remove medevac stretchers on PenAir Fairchild Metro III aircraft and make the appropriate entries in the aircraft maintenance records.

Grant, 8/29/97, Exemption No. 6674.

Docket No.: 21882.

Petitioner: China Airlines, Ltd.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 61.77(a) and (b), and 63.23(a) and (b).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit CAL airmen who operate two U.S.-registered Boeing 747-SP aircraft (Registration Nos. N4508H and N4522V) and three U.S.-registered Airbus A300-600R aircraft (Registration Nos. N88881, N88887, and N8888B) that are leased to a person who is not a citizen of the United States, for carrying persons or property for compensation or hire, to be eligible for special purpose airmen certificates.

Grant, 8/29/97, Exemption No. 4849G.

Docket No.: 28952.

Petitioner: Minebea Technologies PTE Ltd.

Section 14 CFR 119.5(h).

To permit Minebea Technologies, the holder of a 14 CFR part 125 operating certificate to conduct common carriage operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Surface Transportation Board**

[STB Finance Docket No. 33452]

Brownsville & Rio Grande International Railroad—Lease and Operation Exemption—Union Pacific Railroad Company

Brownsville & Rio Grande International Railroad, a Class III rail carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to lease and operate a total of approximately 7.92 miles of rail line (known as the Port Lead) owned by Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR) between milepost 0.0 at Brownsville, TX (from the Port Lead connection with UPRR's rail yard in downtown Brownsville) and milepost 7.92 at the Port of Brownsville, TX. The transaction was expected to be consummated on or after September 8, 1997.