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**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.:* 29038.

*Petitioner:* GE Varig.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 145.47(b).

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit the petitioner to substitute the calibration standards of the Instituto Nacional de Metrologia, Normalização e Qualidade Industrial, Brazil's national standards organization, for the calibration standards of the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology to test its inspection equipment.

*Docket No.:* 29039.

*Petitioner:* Worldwide Aircraft

Services, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 25.807(g)(1), 25.807(i)(1), and 25.857(e).

*Description of Relief Sought:* To exempt Worldwide Aircraft Services from the requirements of 14 CFR §§ 25.807(g)(1), 25.807(i)(1), and 25.857(e) for the carriage of supernumeraries on Embraer model 120 airplanes with a Class E cargo compartment.

*Docket No.:* 26734.

*Petitioner:* Sierra Industries, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 91.9(a) and 91.531(a)(1) and (2).

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit certain qualified pilots of Cessna Model 500 Citation (CE-500) airplanes with Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) No. SA09377SC to operate those airplanes within a pilot who is designated as second in command.

*Docket No.:* 29027.

*Petitioner:* National Business Aviation Association, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 61.57(b).

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit NBAA-member companies to meet night takeoff and landing recent flight experience requirements using a Level C or Level D flight simulator, and to accomplish the required takeoffs and landings every 180 days rather than every 90 days.

*Docket No.:* 27052.

*Petitioner:* Petroleum Helicopters, Inc.

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

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit the petitioner to continue to operate its Bell Model 206L-1 helicopters (Registration Nos. N2761X, N5005B, N50182, and N50046; and Serial Nos. 45283, 45175, 45242, 45173, respectively) without having a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed on those aircraft.

*Docket No.:* 29034.

*Petitioner:* Eagle Jet Charter, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 93.316(b).

*Description of Relief Sought:* To permit the petitioner to continue to operate its Fokker F-27 turboprop aircraft after January 31, 1998, under instrument flight rules in the Grand Canyon National Park Special Flight rules Area at cruise altitudes of 15,000 and 16,000 feet mean sea level without those aircraft being listed on its operations specifications as commercial sightseeing aircraft.

#### **Dispositions of Petitions**

*Docket No.:* 012SW.

*Petitioner:* Frank D. Robinson.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 27.1(a).

*Description of Relief Sought/Disposition:* To permit certification of hydraulically boosted controls on the Model R44 helicopter without the necessity of considering the jamming of a control valve as a possible single failure. *Grant, October 17, 1997, Exemption No. 6692.*

*Docket No.:* 23771.

*Petitioner:* Cessna Aircraft Company.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 91.9(a) and 91.531(a)(1) and (2).

*Description of Relief Sought/Disposition:* To permit certain qualified pilots of Cessna Citation Model 550, S550, 552, or 560 aircraft to operate those aircraft without a pilot who is designated as second in command. *Grant, October 28, 1997, Exemption No. 4050J.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### **Flight Standards District Office at Scottsdale, AZ; Certificate Management Office at Phoenix, AZ; Notice of Consolidation**

Notice is hereby given that on or about November 10, 1997, the Flight Standards District Office at Scottsdale, Arizona and the Certificate Management Office at Phoenix, Arizona will be consolidated as Arizona Flight Standards District Office. Services to the general public of Arizona will continue to be provided by the new organization at the same physical locations. This information will be reflected in the FAA Organizational Statement the next time it is reissued.

(Sec. 313(a), 72 Stat. 752; 49 U.S.C. 1354.)

Issued in Los Angeles, CA, on October 27, 1997.

**Lynore C. Brekke,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Surface Transportation Board**

[Sec. 5a Application No. 61]

#### **National Classification Committee—Agreement**

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Surface Transportation Board is commencing a proceeding to determine whether, under 49 U.S.C. 13703(d) and (e), it is in the public interest to renew the bureau agreement of the National Classification Committee, which administers the National Motor Freight Classification. **DATES:** Written notices of intent to participate are due by November 28, 1997. Shortly thereafter, we will serve a preliminary service list and request for written corrections. By December 11, 1997, we will serve any necessary corrections to the service list. Opening comments are due by January 8, 1998. Reply comments are due by February 5, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send an original and 10 copies of notices of intent to participate and comments, referring to "Section 5a Application No. 61," to: Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423.