

Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(e) This amendment becomes effective on October 21, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

15 CFR Parts 29a and 29b

[Docket No. 980925248-8248-01]

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Audit Requirements for State and Local Governments; Audit Requirements for Institutions of Higher Education and Other Non-Profit Organizations

AGENCY: Department of Commerce (DoC).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DoC) is removing 15 CFR Part 29a, "Audit Requirements for State and Local Governments," which was published in the **Federal Register** as 15 CFR Part 8a on July 26, 1985 to implement OMB Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments," and 15 CFR Part 29b, "Audit Requirements for Institutions of Higher Education and Other Non-Profit Organizations," which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 19, 1991 to implement Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, "Audits of Institutions of Higher Education and Other Nonprofit Organizations," at which time 15 CFR Part 8a was amended to re-designate Part 8a as Part 29a. Revised OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," as published in the **Federal Register** on June 30, 1997 established uniform audit requirements for non-Federal entities that administer Federal awards and implemented the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, which were signed into law on July 5, 1996. The provisions of the revised Circular A-133 which was re-titled "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," as published in the **Federal Register** on June 30, 1997 are implemented for the DoC at 15 CFR Part 14, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher

Education, Hospitals, Other Non-Profit, and Commercial Organizations," and at 15 CFR Part 24, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments."

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John J. Phelan, III, Director, Office of Executive Assistance Management, Telephone Number—202-482-4115.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Commerce (DoC) is removing 15 CFR Part 29a, "Audit Requirements for State and Local Governments," which was published in the **Federal Register** at 15 CFR Part 8a on July 26, 1985 (50 FR 30418) to implement OMB Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments," and 15 CFR Part 29b, "Audit Requirements for Institutions of Higher Education and Other Non-Profit Organizations," which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 19, 1991 (56 FR 15992) to implement Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, "Audits of Institutions of Higher Education and Other Nonprofit Organizations," at which time 15 CFR Part 8a was amended to re-designate part 8a as part 29a. Revised OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," as published in the **Federal Register** on June 30, 1997 (62 FR 35278) established uniform audit requirements for non-Federal entities that administer Federal awards and implemented the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, which were signed into law on July 5, 1996 (Public Law 104-156).

OMB Circular A-128 was rescinded and OMB Circular A-133 was revised by OMB as a result of the consolidation of audit requirements under OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations." The provisions of the revised Circular A-133 which was re-titled "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," as published in the **Federal Register** on June 30, 1997 (62 FR 35279) are implemented for the DoC at 15 CFR Part 14, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements With Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, Other Non-Profit, and Commercial Organizations," and at 15 CFR part 24, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments."

Executive Orders 12866 and 12875

This final rule has been determined to be "not significant" for purposes of Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review." In addition, it has been determined that, consistent with the requirements of Executive Order 12875, "Enhancing Intergovernmental Partnership," this final rule will not impose any unfunded mandates upon State, local, and tribal governments.

Administrative Procedure Act and Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because notice and comments is not required under 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, for this rule relating to public property, loans, grants benefits or contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)), a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is not required and has not been prepared for this final rule.

Executive Order 12612 (Federalism Assessment)

This action has been reviewed in accordance with the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612. It has been determined that this action does not have sufficient Federalism implications to warrant a full Federalism Assessment under the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612.

Paperwork Reduction Act

These actions do not impose any new reporting or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

List of Subjects

15 CFR Part 29a

Accounting, Grant programs, Indians, Intergovernmental relations, Loan programs, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

15 CFR Part 29b

Accounting, Colleges and universities, Grant programs, Loan programs, Nonprofit organizations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

John J. Phelan,

Director for Executive Assistance Management.

Accordingly, under authority of 5 U.S.C. 301 and 31 U.S.C. 7501, *et seq.*, Title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended by removing Parts 29a and 29b.

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