

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-CE-63-AD; Amendment 39-10836; AD 98-21-28]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: This action confirms the effective date of Airworthiness Directive (AD) 98-21-28, which applies to certain British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 airplanes. AD 98-21-28 requires modifying the propeller de-icing system to assure system performance at low ambient temperatures. This AD was the result of mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) issued by the airworthiness authority for the United Kingdom. The actions specified in this AD are intended to prevent propeller-induced vibrations from occurring during icing encounters at low ambient temperatures, which could result in decreased performance of the de-icing system during icing encounters with possible loss of control of the airplane.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 15, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. S.M. Nagarajan, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 1201 Walnut, suite 900, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 426-6932; facsimile: (816) 426-2169.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA published this direct final rule with request for comments in the Federal Register on October 14, 1998 (63 FR 55015). The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA anticipates that there will be no adverse public comment. This direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, was received within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on January 15, 1999. No adverse comments were received, and thus this notice confirms that this final rule will become effective on that date.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 1, 1998.

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Acting Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

22 CFR Part 503

Freedom of Information Act Regulation

AGENCY: United States Information Agency.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the Agency's current regulation implementing the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to conform with requirements made by the Electronic Freedom of Information Act (EFOIA) of 1996 as amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Freedom of Information Office, United States Information Agency, Room M-29, 301 4th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20547.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lola L. Secora, Chief, FOIA/PA Unit, (202) 619-5499.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Information Agency last published a Final Rule to revise its Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) regulations on February 8, 1994, 59 FR 5708, 22 CFR Ch. V (4-1-96 Edition). This new amendment to USIA's regulation implementing the FOIA is required by the EFOIA of 1996 as amended by Pub. L. 104-231. The amendments are made to address and explain how records of USIA will be reviewed and released when the records are maintained in electronic format. However, documentation not previously subject to the FOIA when maintained in a non-electronic format is not made subject to FOIA by this new amendment. It has been determined that this addition is not a significant regulatory action and it will not:

- (1) Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy; a section of the economy; productivity; competition; jobs; the environment; public health or safety; or State, local, or tribal governments or communities;
(2) Create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency;
(3) Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees,

or loan programs, or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof;

(4) Have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities; or

(5) Impose any reporting or record keeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

List of Subjects in 22 CFR Part 503

Freedom of information.

Accordingly, 22 CFR part 503 is amended as set forth below:

PART 503—FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REGULATION

1. The authority citation for part 503 reads as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301, 552; 13 U.S.C. 8; 22 U.S.C. 503, 2658; E.O. 10477, 18 FR 4540, 3 CFR, 1949-1953 Comp., p. 958; E.O. 10822, 24 FR 4159, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 355; E.O. 12292, 46 FR 13967, 3 CFR, 1981 Comp., p. 134; E.O. 12356, 47 FR 14874 and 15557, 3 CFR, 1982 Comp., p. 166; E.O. 12958, 60 FR 19825, 3 CFR, 1995 Comp., p. 333.

2. In § 503.1, revise the definition for "Records" in paragraph (b) to read as follows:

§ 503.1 Introduction and definitions.

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(b) Definitions \* \* \*

Records (and any other term used in this section in reference to information) includes any information that would be an agency record subject to the requirements of this section when maintained by the Agency in any format, including an electronic format. Records also include any handwritten, typed or printed documents (such as memoranda, books, brochures, studies, writings, drafts, letters, transcripts, and minutes) and documentary material in other forms (such as punchcards; magnetic tapes, cards, or discs; paper tapes; audio or video recordings; maps; photographs; slides; microfilm; and motion pictures). It does not include objects or articles such as exhibits, models; equipment, and duplication machines or audiovisual processing materials. Nor does it include books, magazines, pamphlets, or other reference material in formally organized and officially designated USIA libraries, where such materials are available under the rules of the particular library.

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3. In § 503.2, paragraph (b) is revised, the undesignated text at the end of the section is removed, and paragraph (e)(2) is revised to read as follows:

§ 503.2 Making a request.

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