

(d) The meetings will not be adjourned until everyone on the list has had an opportunity to address the panel.

(e) Position papers or other handout material relating to the substance of the meetings will be accepted. Participants wishing to submit handout material should present three copies to the presiding officer. There should be additional copies of each handout available for other attendees.

(f) The meetings will not be formally recorded. However, a summary of the comments made at the meetings will be filed in the docket.

#### AGENDA FOR THE MEETINGS:

Opening Remarks and Discussion of Meeting Procedures.

Briefing on Background for Proposal.  
Public Presentations and Comments.  
Closing Comments.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[RTCA; Special Committee 165]

#### Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Services

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for Special Committee (SC)-165 meeting to be held January 15, 1999, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at RTCA, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC, 20036. (This plenary meeting will follow a meeting of SC-165 Working Group (WG)-3, Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards, on January 12-14.)

The agenda will include: (1) Welcome and Introductions; (2) Review Summary of the Previous Meeting; (3) Chairman's Remarks; (4) Overview of Related Activities: a. Required Communication Performance; b. AEEC 741 and 761 Characteristics; c. EUROCAE Working Group-55; d. AMS(R)S Spectrum Issues; (e) AMCP WG-A on AMSS; (f) Industry, Users, Government; (5) Review of SC-165 Working Group Activities: a. WG-1, AMSS Avionics Equipment Minimum Operational Performance Standards; b. WG-3, AMSS System/Service Performance Criteria; c. WG-5, AMS(R)S Satcom Voice; (6) Other

Business; (7) Date and Place of Next Meeting; (8) Adjourn.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the RTCA Secretariat, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC, 20036; (202) 833-9339 (phone); (202) 833-9434 (fax); or <http://www.rtca.org> (web site). Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Joint RTCA Special Committee 181/ EUROCAE Working Group 13 Standards of Navigation Performance

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a joint Special Committee 181/EUROCAE Working Group 13 meeting to be held January 11-15, 1999, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Denver Tech Center, 7007 South Clinton Street, Englewood, CO 80112 (phone 1-800-298-0188; use ID no. 30178 to obtain RTCA rate; fax 602-470-3083). The host, Mr. Jim Terpstra, Jeppesen, may be reached at (303) 784-4401 (phone), (303) 784-4111 (fax); or contact Ms. Marie Duncan at [mduncanjeppesen.com](mailto:mduncanjeppesen.com) (electronic mail).

The agenda will be as follows: Monday, January 11-Tuesday, January 12, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (1) Working Groups 1 and 2 to meet separately; Wednesday, January 13, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon (2) Working Groups 1 and 2 to meet separately; 1:00-5:00 p.m. (3) Joint Meeting of Working Groups 1 and 2 to review DO-201A; Thursday, January 14, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (4) Joint Meeting of Working Groups 1 and 2 to review DO-201A; Friday, January 15, 8:30-11:30 a.m. (5) Joint meeting of Working Groups 1 and 2 to continue review of DO-201A; 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Closing Plenary Session: (6) Reports from Working Groups 1, 2, and 4; (7) Chairman's Remarks; (8) Dates and

Locations of Future Meetings; (9) New Business; (10) Adjourn.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the RTCA Secretariat, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036; (202) 833-9339 (phone); (202) 833-9434 (fax); or <http://www.rtca.org> (web site). Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favour of relief.

#### Texas State Railroad

[Docket Number FRA-1998-4823]

The Texas State Railroad (TSRR) seeks a permanent waiver of compliance with the Safety Glazing Standards, 49 CFR Part 223.11(c), which requires certified glazing in all locomotive windows, except those locomotives used in yard service. The TSRR seeks this waiver for locomotive number TSRR 22. The 70 ton switcher locomotive was built in the late 1940's by General Electric Locomotive Company and was never equipped with FRA certified glazing. The locomotive owner indicates that the locomotive is utilized in road and yard service between Rusk and Palestine, TX, a distance of about 25.5 miles. Also that the area where the locomotive operates is sparsely populated, wooded terrain.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in