

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 September 1, 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 August 30-31.)

The agenda will include: (1) Welcome and Introductions; (2) Review Summary of the Previous Meeting; (3) Chairman's Remarks; (4) Review comments from the ballot of draft document DO-210D, Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Geosynchronous Orbit Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Services (AMSS) Avionics. Incorporate accepted ballot comments into the final draft document to forward to the Program Management Committee. (5) Overview of Related Activities: a. AEEC 741 and 761 Characteristics; b. EUROCAE Working Group 55; c. AMS(R)S Spectrum Issues; d. AMCP WG-A on AMSS; e. Industry, Users, Government; (6) 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; (7) Other Business; (8) Date and Place of Next Meeting; (9) Closing.

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 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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National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**Research and Development Programs
Meeting**

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will describe and discuss specific research and development projects. Further, the notice requests suggestions for topics to be presented by the agency.

Dates and Times

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on September 16, 1999, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m. The deadline for interested parties to suggest agenda topics is 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 1999. Questions may be submitted in advance regarding the agency's research and development projects. They must be submitted in writing by September 3, 1999, to the address given below. If sufficient time is available, questions received after the September 3 date will be answered at the meeting during the discussion period. The individual, group, or company asking a question does not have to be present for the question to be answered. A consolidated list of answers to questions submitted by September 3 will be available at the meeting and will be mailed to requesters after the meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Tysons Westpark Hotel, 8401 Westpark Drive, McLean, Virginia. Suggestions for specific research and development topics as described below and questions for the September 16, 1999, meeting relating to the agency's research and development programs should be submitted to the Office of the Associate Administrator for Research and Development, NRD-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 6206, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20590. The fax number is (202) 366-5930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In recent years, since April 1993, NHTSA has provided detailed information about its research and development programs in presentations at a series of public meetings. The purpose is to make available more complete and timely information regarding the agency's research and development programs.

This is the twenty-fourth meeting in that series, and it will be held on September 16, 1999, at the Tysons Westpark Hotel, 8401 Westpark Drive, McLean, Virginia.

Based on the suggestions received in previous meetings, NHTSA intends to limit its presentation at the September 16, 1999, meeting to a single research topic. NHTSA requests suggestions from interested parties on the specific agenda topic to be presented at this meeting. NHTSA will base its decisions about the agenda, in part, on the suggestions it receives by 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 1999. Before the meeting, NHTSA will publish a notice with an agenda listing the research and development topic to be discussed. The agenda can also be obtained by calling or faxing the request to the telephone numbers listed in this notice, through the E-mail address listed in this notice, or from NHTSA's Web site under Announcements/Public Meetings at URL <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/nhtsa/announce/meetings/>.

NHTSA asks that the suggestions be limited to three, in priority order, so that the presentation at the September 16, 1999, meeting can be most useful to the audience. Specific research and development topics are listed below. Many of these topics have been discussed at previous meetings. Suggestions for agenda topics are not restricted to this listing, and interested parties are invited to suggest other research and development topics of specific interest to their organizations. Additionally, if any interested parties would like to make a presentation regarding technical issues concerning any of NHTSA's research programs, information concerning the proposed topic and speaker should be submitted in writing by 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 1999.

Specific R&D topics are: Fiscal Year 1999 R&D Research Efforts, International Harmonized Research Activities (IHRA), On-line tracking system for NHTSA's research projects, and Crash Injury Research and Engineering Network (CIREN).

Specific Crashworthiness R&D topics are:

- Status of advanced air bag research and up-to-date results,
- Demonstration of CD ROM for child restraint/vehicle compatibility,
- Preparation of new dummies for assessment of advanced air bag technology,
- Improved frontal crash protection (program status, problem identification, offset testing),
- Upgrade side crash protection,
- Child restraint/air bag interaction (CRABI) dummy testing,