

The proposed rule and advisory material will establish:

1. The content of the Aging Aircraft Program (e.g., the necessary special inspections and modification actions for prevention of WFD), and

2. A limit of the "validity" (in terms of flight cycles or hours) of the Aging Aircraft Program where additional reviews are necessary for continued operation.

Additionally, ARAC is asked to review 14 CFR 25.1529 and 14 CFR part 25, Appendix H, and recommend changes to establish:

1. The required content of an Aging Aircraft Program.

2. The criteria by which to determine the validity of the Aging Aircraft Program (in terms of flight cycles or flight hours). This would effectively prohibit the operation of airplanes beyond the limited validity of the maintenance program. In order to operate beyond the declared limit, further evaluation of the design must be accomplished and the additional inspections and/or modifications added to the Aging Aircraft Program as necessary.

The FAA may ask ARAC to recommend disposition of any substantive comments the FAA receives in response to any of the notices of proposed rulemaking that result from ARAC's recommendations.

The FAA expects ARAC to forward its recommendations to the FAA within 9 months after tasking.

ARAC Acceptance of Task

ARAC has accepted this task and has chosen to assign it to the existing Airworthiness Assurance Working Group. The working group serves as staff to ARAC to assist ARAC in the analysis of the assigned task. Working group recommendations must be reviewed and approved by ARAC. If ARAC accepts the working groups recommendations, it forwards them to the FAA as ARAC recommendations.

Working Group Activity

The working group is expected to comply with the procedures adopted by ARAC. As part of the procedures, the working group is expected to:

1. Recommend a work plan for completion of the task, including the rationale supporting such a plan, for consideration at the meeting of ARAC to consider transport airplane and engine issue held following publication of this notice.

2. Give a detailed conceptual presentation of the proposed recommendations, prior to proceeding with its work.

3. Draft appropriate regulatory documents with supporting economic and other required analyses, and any other related guidance material or collateral documents to support its recommendations.

4. Provide a status report at each meeting of ARAC held to consider transport airplane and engine issues.

The Secretary of Transportation has determined that the formation and use of ARAC are necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the FAA by law.

Meetings of ARAC will be open to the public, except as authorized by section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meetings of the Airworthiness Assurance Working Group will not be open to the public, except to the extent that individuals with an interest and expertise are selected to participate. No public announcement of working group meetings will be made.

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Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-99-44]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before January 4, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No. _____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: 9-NPRM-cmts@faa.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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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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Docket No.: 29819.

Petitioner: Bombardier.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 25.813(e).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit doors between passenger compartments on BD700-1A10 airplanes used for corporate transportation.

Docket No.: 29436.

Petitioner: Airport Services.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 145.37(b).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Airport Services to apply for a Federal Aviation Administration repair station certificate without having suitable permanent housing for at least one of the heaviest aircraft within the weight class of the rating it seeks.

Docket No.: 29411.

Petitioner: Spirit Aviation Inc.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.225(g).

Description of Relief Sought Disposition: To permit Spirit Aviation to conduct takeoffs in single-pilot, turbine powered airplanes where takeoff visibility is one-half of a mile down to 1,800 feet runway visual range, subject to certain conditions and limitations.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 29805.

Petitioner: Cambridge Valley Flying Club.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, and 135.353, and appendixes I and J to part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit allow CVFC to conduct local sightseeing flights at the Chapin Field Airport to raise funds for the George Chapin Memorial Scholarship Fund on October 9, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 10/8/99, Exemption No. 7032

Docket No.: 29811.

Petitioner: Tri-Cities Pilot's Association.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, and 135.353, and appendixes I and J to part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow TCPA to conduct local sightseeing flights at the Tri-Cities Airport to raise funds for the Human Society on October 9, 1999, with a rain date of Oct. 16, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 10/8/99, Exemption No. 7033

Docket No.: 27860.

Petitioner: Skydive Academy of Hawaii Corporation.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 105.43(a).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit nonstudent foreign national parachutists to participate in Skydive Hawaii-sponsored parachute jumping events without complying with the parachute packing and equipment requirements of § 105.43(a).

GRANT, 10/4/99, Exemption No. 7015.

Docket No.: 29761.

Petitioner: Champion Air.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.344 (b)(3).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit Champion Air to operate two B-727-200 airplanes (Registration Nos. N292AS and N295AS; Serial Nos. 21458 and 22147, respectively) without installing the required DFDR on each airplane until January 15, 2000. GRANT, 10/1/99, Exemption No. 7014.

Docket No.: 29770.

Petitioner: Vermont Pilots' Association.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow VPA to conduct local sightseeing flights for a fundraising event on the weekend of September 25, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 9/24/99, Exemption No. 7003.

Docket No.: 29789.

Petitioner: Michael D. Seeley.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow him to conduct local sightseeing flights for the fly-in/drive-in at the Taylorville Municipal Airport on the weekend of October 2, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuses prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 10/1/99, Exemption No. 7013.

Docket No.: 29769.

Petitioner: Lance Air.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow Lance Air to conduct local sightseeing flights at Grimes Airport for the airshow given by the Golden Age Air Museum on October 2 and 3, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 10/1/99, Exemption No. 7011.

Docket No.: 29767.

Petitioner: Lowell City Airport.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow LCAB to conduct local sightseeing flights for a fundraising event on the weekend of September 25, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 9/24/99, Exemption No. 7005.

Docket No.: 29752.

Petitioner: Wallace State Community College.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow WSCC to conduct local sightseeing flights at Folsom Field for the Cullman Airport Family Fun Day on September 25, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain

anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 9/24/99, Exemption No. 7002.

Docket No.: 29763.

Petitioner: Fullerton Municipal Airport.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I & J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow FMA to conduct local sightseeing flights for a fundraising event on the weekend of September 25, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 9/24/99, Exemption No. 7004.

Docket No.: 28962.

Petitioner: Bombardier Services Corporation, West Virginia Air Center.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 145.45(f).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit Bombardier to assign copies of its Inspections Procedures Manual (IPM) to key individuals within departments and to functionally place an adequate number of IPMs for access by all employees, rather than giving a copy of the IPM to all supervisory and inspection personnel. GRANT, 9/29/99, Exemption No. 6677A.

Docket No.: 29759.

Petitioner: Aviation Ventures, Inc., d.b.a. Vision Air.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit Aviation Ventures, Inc., doing business as Vision Air to operate up to 10 DO228 airplanes under part 135 without the required DFDR. GRANT, 9/27/99, Exemption No. 7009.

Docket No.: 29694.

Petitioner: Angel Flight of Georgia.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I & J of part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To allow Angel Flight to conduct local sightseeing flights for a fundraising event on September 18 and 19, 1999, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135. GRANT, 9/17/99, Exemption No. 6997.

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