

amending its Rules of Procedure to revise and expand upon the means of communication available to the Secretary of the Committee and the members regarding meetings and proposed actions between meetings. The current rules provide that such communications must be in writing or by telegram. The proposed amendments would delete telegram as an accepted means of communication and would permit communications by telephone, including facsimile transmissions, or electronic means, such as by electronic mail. The option to require written communications would be retained.

DATES: February 9, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The rules were last updated in 1979. Since that time, new and reliable, readily available methods of transmittal, such as facsimile and electronic mail, have become available while previously relied on methods, such as the telegram, are no longer used.

The proposed amendments would affect the manner in which the Secretary gives notice to members of the Committee of calls for meetings by the Chairman or requests by members for the calling of a meeting. They would also affect the means by which the Secretary transmits the relevant information and recommendations for an action to modify an outstanding Committee authorization or directive at a time when it is not feasible to call a meeting. The amendments to the rules also would permit a member to communicate with the Secretary by telephone or electronic means to request a meeting, to inform the Secretary when he or she will not be available to attend a meeting, and also to transmit his or her vote on an action proposed between meetings.

Accordingly, the Committee is amending its Rules of Procedure by changing all references to "in writing or by telegram" to "in writing, by telephone, or by electronic means" as the accepted methods of communication.

The amendments adopted by the Committee are rules of procedure. Accordingly, neither 5 U.S.C. 553(b), requiring notice and opportunity for

public comment, nor the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, applies. In addition, the amendments are technical amendments to update the rules to reflect new methods of communication, and its prompt implementation will improve the Committee's operational efficiency without adversely affecting any other persons. Accordingly, the Committee finds good cause not to delay the effective date of the amendments pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(d).

List of Subjects in 12 CFR part 272

Administrative practice and procedure, Federal Open Market Committee, Organization and functions (Government agencies).

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 12 CFR part 272 is amended as set forth below:

PART 272—FEDERAL OPEN MARKET COMMITTEE—RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. The authority citation for part 272 continues to read as follows

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552

§ 272.3 [Amended]

2. In § 272.3(a) and (b), remove the words "in writing or by telegram" wherever they appear and add in their place, the words "in writing, by telephone, or electronic means."

§ 272.4 [Amended]

3. Section 272.4(b) is amended by revising the fourth sentence to read as follows: "All communications of recommended actions and votes under this paragraph shall be in writing, by telephone, or electronic means; if the communication is made orally, the Secretary shall cause a written record to be made without delay."

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, February 3, 2000.

Donald L. Kohn,

Secretary of the Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ASO-3]

Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace, Tupelo, MS

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment changes the name of Tupelo Municipal—C.D. Lemons Municipal Airport to Tupelo Regional Airport and changes the title of the airspace designation for the Tupelo Regional Airport located at Tupelo, MS, from Tupelo Municipal—C.D. Lemons Municipal Airport to Tupelo Regional Airport.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, April 20, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

The Tupelo, MS, Airport Authority has changed the name of the airport to better describe the area served. This amendment is necessary to reflect that change. The dimensions, configuration and operating requirements of the affected airspace do not change. This rule will become effective on the date specified in the **DATES** section. Since this action does not change the dimensions, configuration or operating requirements of the Class D, Class E2 or Class E5 airspace for the airport, and as a result, has no impact on users of the airspace in the vicinity of the Tupelo Regional Airport, notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) are unnecessary. Designations for class D, Class E2 and Class E5 airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface are published in FAA Order 7400.9G, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR part 71.1. The Class D and E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) changes the name of Tupelo Municipal—C.D. Lemons Municipal Airport and changes the title of the airspace designation for the Tupelo Regional Airport located at Tupelo, MS, from Tupelo Municipal—C.D. Lemons Municipal Airport, MS, to Tupelo Regional Airport, MS.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore: (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a

“significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 40103, 40113, 40120; EO 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 14 CFR 11.69.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

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ASO MS D Tupelo, MS [Revised]

Tupelo Regional Airport, MS
(Lat. 34°16'05" N, long. 88°46'12" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,800 feet MSL within a 4.1-mile radius of Tupelo Regional Airport. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

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Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Area.

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ASO MS E2 Tupelo, MS

Tupelo Regional Airport, MS
(Lat. 34°16'05" N, long. 88°46'12" W)

Within a 4.1-mile radius of Tupelo Regional Airport. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

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Paragraph 6005 Class E Airspace Areas Extending Upward from 700 feet or More above the Surface of the Earth.

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ASO MS E5 Tupelo, MS

Tupelo Regional Airport, MS
(Lat. 34°16'05" N, long. 88°46'12" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of Tupelo Regional Airport.

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Issued in College Park, Georgia, on January 31, 2000.

Nancy B. Shelton,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 97

[Docket No. 29920; Amdt. No. 1974]

Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, addition of new obstacles, or changes in air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

DATES: An effective date for each SIAP is specified in the amendatory provisions.

Incorporation by reference-approved by the Director of the Federal Register on December 31, 1980, and reapproved as of January 1, 1982.

ADDRESSES: Availability of matter incorporated by reference in the amendment is as follows:

For Examination—

1. FAA Rules Docket, FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591;

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which affected airport is located; or

3. The Flight Inspection Area Office which originated the SIAP.

For Purchase—

Individual SIAP copies may be obtained from:

1. FAA Public Inquiry Center (APA–200), FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; or

2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located.

By Subscription—

Copies of all SIAPs, mailed once every 2 weeks, are for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs). The complete regulatory description on each SIAP is contained in the appropriate FAA Form 8260 and the National Flight Data Center (FDC) /Permanent (P) Notices to Airmen (NOTAM) which are incorporated by reference in the amendment under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 14 CFR part 51, and § 97.20 of the Federal Aviation's Regulations (FAR). Materials incorporated by reference are available for examination or purchase as stated above.

The large number of SIAPs, their complex nature, and the need for a special format make their verbatim publication in the **Federal Register** expensive and impractical. Further, airmen do not use the regulatory text of the SIAPs, but refer to their graphic depiction of charts printed by publishers of aeronautical materials. Thus, the advantages of incorporation by reference are realized and publication of the complete description of each SIAP contained in FAA form documents is unnecessary. The provisions of this amendment state the affected CFR (and FAR) sections, with