

procedure as amended from time to time.

(g) This Delegation of Authority supersedes any prior delegation on this subject to the extent such delegation may be inconsistent herewith.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

**Bonnie R. Cohen,**

*Under Secretary of State for Management,  
U.S. Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Advisory Circular 23-16, Powerplant Guide for Certification of Part 23 Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance and availability.

**SUMMARY:** Advisory Circular (AC) 23-16, Powerplant Guide for Certification of Part 23 Airplanes provides information and guidance concerning acceptable means, but not the only means of compliance with Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 23, Subpart F, applicable to the powerplant installation in normal, utility, acrobatic, and commuter category airplanes. The AC consolidates existing policy documents, and certain AC's that cover specific paragraphs of the regulations, into a single document. Material in the AC is neither mandatory nor regulatory in nature and does not constitute a regulation.

**DATE:** AC 23-16 was issued by the Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, on September 21, 1999.

How to Order: A copy of AC 23-16 may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Post Office Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954, or from any of the Government Printing Offices located in major cities throughout the United States. Identify the publication as AC 23-16, Powerplant Guide for Certification of Part 23 Airplanes, Stock Number 050-007-01285-3. The cost is \$14.00 per copy for orders mailed within the U.S. and \$17.50 for orders mailed outside of the U.S. Send a check or money order, made payable to Superintendent of Documents, with your request. No c.o.d. orders are accepted. Also, the AC should be available within a few days on the internet at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/air/airhome.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Pat Nininger, Standards Office, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, telephone (816) 329-4129, fax (816) 329-4090.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri on February 18, 2000.

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Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2000-08]

#### 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 March 27, 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, DC 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, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cherie Jack (202) 267-7271 or Vanessa Wilkins (202) 267-8029 Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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).

Issued in Washington, D.C., on February 29, 2000.

**Donald P. Byrne,**

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#### Dispositions of Petitions

*Docket No.:* 25483.

*Petitioner:* Air Transport Association of America.

*Section of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR paragraph (d) of appendix B to part 43, 45.11(a) and (d), 91.203(c), and 91.417(d).

*Description of Relief Sought/Disposition:* To allow all aircraft operating under 14 CFR part 121 and all aircraft operating in commuter air carrier operations (as defined in 14 CFR 119.3) under an FAA-approved CAMP to be operated without complying with the requirements pertaining to (1) the location of the aircraft identification plates and (2) the carriage of FAA Form 337 as evidence of installation approval for fuel tank installation in the passenger compartment or a baggage compartment.

*Grant, 02/22/00, Exemption No. 4902G*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33851]

#### Texas Pacifico Transportation, Ltd.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—South Orient Railroad Company, Ltd.

Texas Pacifico Transportation, Ltd. (Pacífico), a noncarrier State of Texas limited partnership, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.31 to acquire from the South Orient Railroad Company, Ltd. (SORC) and operate approximately 381.9 miles of rail line in Brewster, Coleman, Crane, Crockett, Irion, Pecos, Presidio, Reagan, Runnels, Tom Green, and Upton Counties, TX. Grupo Mexico, S.A. de C.V., a Mexican Sociedad Anonima de Capital Variable, and the ultimate