

will explain why the applicant is not eligible for SDB certification and give specific reasons for the decline. If the AA/SDBCE declines the application solely on issues not raised in the initial decline, the applicant may request another reconsideration as if it were an initial decline. If the AA/SDBCE declines the application for one or more of the same reasons as addressed in the initial decline, the applicant is not entitled to a second reconsideration.

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Dated: March 1, 2000.

**Aida Alvarez,**  
Administrator.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 91-NM-96-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

#### **Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Industrie Model A300 B2-1C, B2K-3C, and B2-203 Series Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** This action withdraws a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that proposed a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain Airbus Model A300 B2 series airplanes. That action would have required a supersedure of an existing AD that currently requires a one-time visual inspection and ultrasonic inspection to detect cracks in the wing front spar webs, and repair, if necessary. The NPRM would have required a visual inspection and repetitive ultrasonic inspections to detect cracks in the front face of the front spar on both wings between ribs 10 and 11, and repair, if necessary. Since the issuance of the NPRM, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has issued separate rulemaking to require these same actions. Accordingly, the proposed rule is withdrawn.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Norman B. Martenson, Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; fax (425) 227-1149.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal

Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to add a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain Airbus Model A300 B2 series airplanes, was published in the **Federal Register** as a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on June 10, 1991 (56 FR 26621). The proposed rule would have superseded an existing airworthiness directive (AD) that requires a one-time visual and ultrasonic inspection to detect cracks in the wing spar webs, and repair, if necessary. The proposed rule would have required a visual inspection and repetitive ultrasonic inspections to detect cracks in the front face of the front spar of both wings between ribs 10 and 11, and repair, if necessary. The proposed rule was prompted by a report of a crack found on an in-service airplane in the wing front spar web between ribs 10 and 11. The proposed actions were intended to detect and correct cracking, which could result in reduced structural integrity of the wing front spar.

#### **Actions That Occurred Since the NPRM Was Issued**

Since the issuance of the NPRM, the FAA issued an immediately adopted rule, AD 91-18-01, amendment 39-8004 (56 FR 40771, August 16, 1991), which requires repetitive high frequency eddy current inspections to detect cracks in the vertical web of the wing front spar between ribs 10 and 11, and repair, if necessary. Accomplishment of those actions adequately addresses the unsafe condition identified in this NPRM.

#### **FAA's Conclusions**

Since issuance of AD 91-18-01, the FAA has determined that the proposed actions of the NPRM (Docket 91-NM-96-AD) are unnecessary.

Withdrawal of this notice of proposed rulemaking constitutes only such action, and does not preclude the agency from issuing another notice in the future, nor does it commit the agency to any course of action in the future.

#### **Regulatory Impact**

Since this action only withdraws a notice of proposed rulemaking, it is neither a proposed nor a final rule and therefore is not covered under Executive Order 13132, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, or DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979).

#### **List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39**

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

#### **The Withdrawal**

Accordingly, the notice of proposed rulemaking, Docket 91-NM-96-AD, published in the **Federal Register** on June 10, 1991 (56 FR 26621), is withdrawn.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on March 6, 2000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-6]

#### **Establishment of Class E Airspace; Salem, MO**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes to establish Class E airspace area at Salem Memorial Airport, Salem, MO. The Federal Aviation Administration has developed Area Navigation (RNAV) runway (RWY) 17, RNAV RWY 35 and VHF Omnidirectional Range (VOR)-A Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) to serve Salem Memorial Airport, Salem, MO. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) is needed to accommodate aircraft executing the SIAPs. This proposal would create controlled airspace at Salem Memorial Airport. The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled airspace for aircraft executing the SIAPs at the Salem Memorial Airport.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 14, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE-520, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 00-ACE-6, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Central Region at the same address between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the office of the Manager, Airspace