

Commission's Rules Regarding Ultra-Wideband Transmission Systems". The FCC has proposed " * * * permitting the operation of ultra-wideband (UWB) technology on an unlicensed basis" citing " * * * enormous benefits for public safety, consumers and businesses" (http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/News_Releases/2000/nret0006.html). The FCC has stated that test results are encouraged and can be submitted through October 30, 2000.

The term "ultra-wideband" by definition refers to any radiated waveform whose fractional bandwidth is greater than 25%. There are many technologies that fit this broad definition; of particular interest is a group of technologies known as "impulsive systems". Such systems utilize short radio frequency (RF) pulses with pulse durations on the order of nanoseconds that result in bandwidths that can be on the order of several Gigahertz. Some current UWB impulsive system designs and devices have fractional bandwidths that can exceed 100%. Such systems could intentionally radiate energy into restricted bands (defined in Part 15) that include aeronautical safety-related systems, including GPS and other sensitive systems.

This test plan describes an initial phase of testing that selects the metric of accuracy performance and GPS signal reacquisition time. Aviation receivers meeting published specifications will be used in the accuracy measurement phase; a land receiver will be used for the reacquisition testing. A GPS simulator provides the GPS input and the UWB parameters are provided by a prototype UWB waveform generator where the various UWB waveform parameters can be varied independently in a controlled manner. These metrics were considered appropriate for the first phase of testing.

Obtaining a copy for comment. The Department will consider written comments for incorporation into the test plan. To obtain a copy of this test plan, contact Ms. Veronica Pannell at (202) 366-0353 or write to: Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary Radionavigation & Positioning Staff, P-7, Room 10315, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20590.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a meeting of the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee (ATPAC) will be held to review present air traffic control procedures and practices for standardization, clarification, and upgrading of terminology and procedures.

DATES: The meeting will be held from July 17-19, 2000, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of Transportation, NASSIF Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Conference Rooms 6332-6336, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eric Harrell, Executive Director, ATPAC, Terminal and En Route Procedures Division, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-3725.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app.2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the ATPAC to be held July 17 through July 19, 2000, at the Department of Transportation, NASSIF Building, 400 7th Street, SW., Conference Rooms 6332-6336, Washington, DC. The agenda for this meeting will cover: a continuation of the Committee's review of present air traffic control procedures and practices for standardization, clarification, and upgrading of terminology and procedures. It will also include:

1. Approval of Minutes.
2. Submission and Discussion of Areas of Concern.
3. Discussion of Potential Safety Items.
4. Report from Executive Director.
5. Items of Interest.
6. Discussion and agreement of location and dates from subsequent meetings.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to the space available. With the approval of the Chairperson, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons desiring to attend and persons desiring to present oral statements should notify the person listed above not later than July 14, 2000. The next quarterly meeting of the FAA ATPAC is

planned to be held from October 2-5, 2000, in Washington, DC.

Any member of the public may present a written statement to the Committee at any time at the address given above.

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Eric Harrell,

Executive Director, Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Palm Beach International Airport, West Palm Beach, FL

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to rule on application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Palm Beach International Airport (PBI) under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Public Law 101-508) and part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 24, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Orlando Airports District Office, 5950 Hazeltine National Drive, Suite 400, Orlando, Florida 32822.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Bruce V. Pelly, Director of Airports of the Palm Beach County, Department of Airports at the following address: Palm Beach County, Department of Airports, Building 846, Palm Beach International Airport, West Palm Beach Florida 33406.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of written comments previously provided to the Palm Beach County, Department of Airports under section 158.23 of part 158.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vernon P. Rupinta, Program Manager, Orlando Airports District Office, 5950 Hazeltine National Drive, Suite 400, Orlando, Florida 32822, (407) 812-6331, extension 24. The application may be