

Instructions (IV.3.d.3) above for Program Monitoring and Evaluation information.

All data collected, including survey responses and contact information, must be maintained for a minimum of three years and provided to the Bureau upon request.

All reports must be sent to the ECA Grants Officer and ECA Program Officer listed in the final assistance award document.

VII. Agency Contacts

For questions about this announcement, contact: Carolyn Lantz, Program Officer, Youth Programs Division, Office of Citizen Exchanges, ECA/PE/C/PY, Room 568, U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547, Telephone: (202) 203-7505, Fax: (202) 203-7529, E-mail: LantzCS@state.gov.

All correspondence with the Bureau concerning this RFGP should reference the above title and number ECA/PE/C/PY-09-10.

Please read the complete announcement before sending inquiries or submitting proposals. Once the RFGP deadline has passed, Bureau staff may not discuss this competition with applicants until the proposal review process has been completed.

VIII. Other Information

Notice:

The terms and conditions published in this RFGP are binding and may not be modified by any Bureau representative. Explanatory information provided by the Bureau that contradicts published language will not be binding. Issuance of the RFGP does not constitute an award commitment on the part of the Government. The Bureau reserves the right to reduce, revise, or increase proposal budgets in accordance with the needs of the program and the availability of funds. Awards made will be subject to periodic reporting and evaluation requirements per section VI.3 above.

Goli Ameri,

Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending October 17, 2008

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation

under the Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1382 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2008-0304.

Date Filed: October 15, 2008.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC COMP Expedited Composite Resolutions (Memo 1490).

Intended effective date: 1 December 2008.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No: FAA-2008-1208]

Helicopter Emergency Medical Services Operations

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on revisions to Operations Specification A021, pertaining to Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS) operations, and Operation Specification A050, pertaining to Helicopter Night Vision Goggle Operations (HNVGO).

DATES: We must receive your comments by December 15, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2008-1208 using the following method:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the on-line instructions for sending your comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical questions regarding the A021 and A050 Operations Specifications revisions, contact: Larry Buehler, 135 Air Carrier Operations Branch, AFS-250, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-8166; e-mail larry.buehler@faa.gov. For legal questions concerning this notice, contact: Dean Griffith, FAA Office of the Chief Counsel, AGC-220, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3073; e-mail dean.griffith@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

We invite interested people to comment on the revised Operations Specification A021, pertaining to HEMS operations, and Operation Specification A050, pertaining to HNVGO by sending written data, views, or arguments. You should include the Federal docket number FAA-2008-1208 in your comments. We will consider all communications received by the closing date for comments.

Availability of Document

The revised Operations Specifications A021 (HEMS) and A050 (HNVGO) can be found and downloaded from the Internet at the following sites:

- FAA Web site: http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/avs/offices/afs/afs200/branches/afs250/
- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the documents using the Federal docket number FAA-2008-1208.

Discussion

The FAA has determined that safety in air commerce and the public interest requires additional hazard mitigation for HEMS operations, and therefore has revised Operations Specifications A021 and A050 pursuant to 14 CFR 119.51.

The A021 revisions specify that if a flight, or sequence of flights, includes a part 135 segment then all visual flight rules (VFR) segments of the flight must be conducted within the weather minimums and minimum safe cruise altitude determined in pre-flight planning. Specifically, A021 requires pilots to identify a minimum safe cruise altitude during pre-flight planning by identifying and documenting obstructions and terrain along the planned flight path. HEMS pilots must also determine the minimum required ceiling and visibility to conduct the flight using the revised weather minimums contained in A021.

Revised Operations Specification A021 also permits HEMS instrument flight rules (IFR) operations at landing areas without weather reporting if an approved weather reporting source is located within 15 nautical miles of the landing area or if an area forecast is available.

Revised Operations Specification A050 changes weather minimums for HNVGO conducted in Class G Airspace to be consistent with changes made to the Class G Airspace minimums in A021.

The full text of the changes to Operations Specifications A021 and A050 are available on the FAA Web site and on <http://www.regulations.gov> as discussed above.