(AIP). To determine if there were any U.S. manufacturers that can produce sufficient and reasonable amounts of stationary FOD detection systems; the FAA issued a notice in the Federal Register on August 5, 2010 requesting information from both domestic and foreign manufacturers producing FOD detection equipment (75 FR 47344).

Following the Federal Register notice the FAA received information from five companies indicating that they manufacture stationary FOD detection equipment meeting the requirements of Advisory Circular 150/5220–24. The five companies were: Trex Aviation Systems, which is based in San Diego, CA; QinetiQ Ltd., which is based in the United Kingdom but has a manufacturing facility in Massachusetts; Stratech Systems Limited, which is based in Singapore; Magna BSP Ltd., which is based in Israel; Rheinmetall Italia S.P.A., which is based in Italy; and X-Sight Systems Inc., which is based in Israel.

Based on the information received the FAA identified two companies manufacturing stationary FOD detection systems in the United States: Trex Aviation Systems and QinetiQ. Although both Trex Aviation Systems and QinetiQ produce their FOD detection systems in the United States their systems do not fully meet the Buy American content requirements, which require that the product be manufactured with one hundred percent U.S. components and subcomponents (49 U.S.C. 50101). As a result the FAA will issue a Nationwide Buy American Waiver for the Trex Aviation Systems’ FOD Finder XF and QinetiQ’s Tarsier FOD System based on the 60% U.S. content and U.S. final assembly waiver permitted in 49 U.S.C. 50101(b)(3). With the presence of these two manufacturers in the United States the FAA has determined there is sufficient quantity and consequently there is no justification for issuing any Buy American Waivers to foreign manufacturers based on insufficient quantity at this time. In the past the FAA has concluded that when there are two or more manufacturers in a particular market sufficient quantity may exist; as concluded in the Buy American Waiver determinations related to Automated Weather Observing Systems (AWOS) and airfield lighting equipment. While the FAA is not at this time issuing any Buy American Waivers to foreign manufacturers, if in the future these foreign companies begin assembly in the United States and can meet the 60% U.S. content and U.S. final assembly waiver requirement under 49 U.S.C. 0101(b)(3) the FAA will reevaluate their status.

This “Nationwide waiver” will allow Trex Aviation Systems’ FOD Finder XF and QinetiQ’s Tarsier FOD System to be used on AIP funded projects without having to receive separate waivers for each project. Having a nationwide waiver enables projects to start quickly without having to wait for the Buy American analysis to be completed for every project, while still assuring the funds used for airport projects under the statute are being directed to manufacturers that meet the Buy American requirements. A complete list of items that have been granted a Nationwide Buy American Waiver can be found on the FAA Web site at http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/ at the tab entitled, Equipment Meeting Buy American Requirements.

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Frank San Martin,
Manager, Airports Financial Assistance Branch.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration
[Summary Notice No. PE–2010–62]
Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of the 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 the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before January 18, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA–2010–0766 using any of the following methods:

• Government-wide rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

• Mail: Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.

• Fax: Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202–493–2251.

• Hand Delivery: Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy: We will post all comments we receive, without change, to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477–78).

Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to http://www.faa.gov, then go to any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.


This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 21, 2010.

Pamela Hamilton-Powell,
Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition For Exemption


Petitioner: Airbus SAS.

Section of 14 CFR Affected:
§ 25.841(a)(2)(i) and (ii), and (a)(3).

Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner seeks relief of § 25.841(a)(2)(i) and (ii), and (a)(3) to allow cabin decompressions which can occur from uncontained engine-rotor failures that
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Mississippi Division; Rescinding the Notice of Intent for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS): Harrison, George, Greene, Jackson, Perry, and Stone Counties, Mississippi

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Rescind Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS.

SUMMARY: This notice rescinds the Notice of Intent for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for proposed highway, State Route 15, to provide a connection between Interstate 10 and U.S. 98 near Beaumont, Harrison, George, Greene, Jackson, Perry, and Stone Counties, Mississippi. The original Notice of Intent for this EIS process was published in the Federal Register on May 28, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Claiborne Barnwell, Project Development Team Leader, Federal Highway Administration, Mississippi Division, 100 West Capitol Street, Suite 1026, Jackson, Mississippi 39269, Telephone: (601) 965–4217.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in cooperation with the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) initiated an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) with a Notice of Intent May 28, 2009, to provide a connector road between Interstate 10 and U.S. 98.

Due to funding constraints this Notice of Intent is rescinded.

Andrew H. Hughes, Division Administrator, Mississippi Federal Highway Administration, Jackson, Mississippi.

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Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Railroads.

Abstract: The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and the Surface Transportation Board (STB), working in conjunction with each other, issued joint final rules establishing procedures for the development and implementation of safety integration plans (SIPs) and plans for the amalgamation of large, complex railroad operations. The scope of the transactions covered under the two rules is the same. FRA uses the information collected, notably the required SIPs, to maintain and promote a safe rail environment by ensuring that affected railroads (Class Is and some Class IIIs) address critical safety issues unique to the amalgamation of large, complex railroad operations.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 528 hours.

Title: Safety Integration Plans.

OMB Control Number: 2130–0557.

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