For the reasons discussed above, I certify that the proposed regulation:

(1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866,
(2) Is not a “significant rule” under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979),
(3) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
(4) Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

   Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends §39.13 by removing airworthiness directive (AD) 2009–04–17, Amendment 39–15823 (74 FR 8735; February 26, 2009), and adding the following new AD:


Comments Due Date

(a) The FAA must receive comments on this AD action by February 18, 2011.

Affected ADs

(b) This AD supersedes AD 2009–04–17, Amendment 39–15823.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to the following engines with a long fixed core exhaust nozzle (LFCEN) assembly forward centerbody, part number P/N 1313M55G01 or G02, P/N 9076M28G05, G06, G08, G09, or G10, P/N 9076M28G01 and G03, and aft centerbody P/N 1313M56G01, or P/N 9076M46G02, G04, and G05 on any airplane.

Centerbody Installation Prohibition

(2) After 18 months from the effective date of this AD, do not install any engine with forward centerbody, P/N 1313M55G01 or G02, P/N 9076M28G05, G06, G08, G09, or G10, P/N 9076M28G01 and G03, or aft centerbody P/N 1313M56G01, P/N 9076M46G02, G04, or G05 on any airplane.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(i) The Manager, Engine Certification Office, FAA, may approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Related Information

(g) For more information about this AD, contact Tomasz Rakowski, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate; phone: 781–238–7735; fax: 781–238–7199; e-mail: tomasz.rakowski@faa.gov.

(h) For service information identified in this AD, contact General Electric Company, GE–Aviation, Room 285, 1 Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215, telephone 513–552–3272; fax 513–552–3329; e-mail: geae.aoc@ge.com. You may review copies of the referenced service information at the FAA, Engine & Propeller Directorate. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 781–238–7125.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on December 28, 2010.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

15 CFR Part 922

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Amendments to National Marine Sanctuary Regulations Regarding Low Overflights in Designated Zones

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: On December 8, 2010, NOAA published a proposed rule in the Federal Register to amend the low overflight regulations of the Channel Islands, Monterey Bay, Gulf of the Farallones, and Olympic Coast national marine sanctuaries. Specifically, NOAA proposes to amend the regulations requiring that motorized aircraft maintain certain minimum altitudes above specified locations within the boundaries of the listed sanctuaries; and state that failure to comply with these altitude limits is presumed to disturb marine mammals or seabirds and is a violation of the sanctuary regulations.

DATES: The public comment period on the proposed rule published at 75 FR 76319, December 8, 2010, will be extended an additional 30 days from the original due date of January 7, 2011. Comments will be accepted through February 7, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by RIN 0648–AX79 by any one of the following methods:


Mail: Debra Malek, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, 1305 East-West Highway, 11th floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Instructions: No comments will be posted for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. All comments received are a part of the public record and will be posted to http://www.regulations.gov without change. All Personal Identifying Information (for example, name, address, etc.) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.
ONMS will accept anonymous comments (enter N/A in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word, Excel, Wordperfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Debra Malek, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, 1305 East-West Highway, 11th floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910, (301) 713–3125 Ext. 262.

Daniel J. Basta,
Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries.

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

18 CFR Part 410

Proposed Amendments to the Water Quality Regulations, Water Code and Comprehensive Plan To Provide for Regulation of Natural Gas Development Projects

AGENCY: Delaware River Basin Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Delaware River Basin Commission ("Commission") proposes to amend its Water Quality Regulations ("WQR"), Water Code and Comprehensive Plan by adding a new Article 7 to the WQR providing for the conservation and development of water resources of the Delaware River Basin during the implementation of natural gas development projects. This Article applies to all natural gas development projects involving siting, construction or use of production, exploratory or other wells in the Basin regardless of the target geologic formation, and to water withdrawals, well pad and related activities and wastewater disposal activities comprising part of, associated with or serving such projects.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before close of business on March 16, 2011. Public hearings are scheduled for February 17 and 22, 2011. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION below for further information about the public hearings.

ADDRESSES: Electronic comments will only be accepted through the designated public comment collection system accessible through the Commission’s Draft Natural Gas Development Regulations Web page: http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/notice_naturalgas-draftregs.htm. Printed comments may be submitted through the U.S. Mail to Natural Gas Regulations c/o Commission Secretary, DRBC, P.O. Box 7360, West Trenton, NJ 08628–0360; by private mail carrier to Natural Gas Regulations c/o Commission Secretary, DRBC, 25 State Police Drive, West Trenton, NJ 08628–0360; or at any of the three public hearings. See Supplemental Information below for further information about the location of the public hearings and how to file comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The full text of the Draft Natural Gas Development Regulations was posted on December 9, 2010 on the Commission’s Web site: http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/notice_naturalgas-draftregs.htm. Hard copies of these materials may be obtained at cost by contacting Ms. Paula Schmitt at 609–883–9500, ext. 224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comment Process: Interested parties wishing to comment on the proposed Article 7 are encouraged to visit the Commission’s Draft Natural Gas Development Regulations webpage: http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/notice_naturalgas-draftregs.htm. This Web page provides instructions on how to submit comments, a copy of the draft regulations, supporting documents and information about the public hearings and informational sessions, and access to the public comment collection system. The Commission will only accept comments received through the electronic comment collection system accessible through its Web page, during the public hearing or at the addresses listed above. Comment received through any other method, including email, fax and telephone, will not be considered or included in the record.

Public Hearings: Three public hearings will be held. The hearings are tentatively scheduled for February 17, 2010 near the Commission office and February 22, 2011 in Wayne County, Pennsylvania and Sullivan County, New York. The exact times, locations, directions, and other details about these meetings will be posted on the Commission’s Web page as they become available: http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/notice_naturalgas-draftregs.htm.

Purpose, Authority and Scope: The Commission is proposing a new Article 7 of DRBC’s Water Quality Regulations to protect the water resources of the Basin during the construction and operation of natural gas development projects. This Article applies to all natural gas development projects involving siting, construction or use of production, exploratory or other wells in the Basin regardless of the target geologic formation, and to water withdrawals, well pad and related activities and wastewater disposal activities comprising part of, associated with or serving such projects. The provisions of this Article rely on the state oil and gas regulatory programs of Pennsylvania and New York where separate administration by the Commission would result in unnecessary duplication. The Article supersedes the Executive Director’s Determinations issued on May 19, 2009, June 14, 2010 and July 23, 2010.

This Article implements the statutory authority that the Basin states of Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania and the federal government granted to the Commission in the Delaware River Basin Compact and supplements the Commission’s Comprehensive Plan with respect to natural gas development projects within the Basin. Commission regulations are one mechanism by which the Basin states and Federal government work together to manage water resources in an integrated manner for the benefit of all citizens of the Basin.

Strategic Regulatory Framework: This Article’s regulatory framework is divided into sections addressing water sources for natural gas development, well pad siting, and wastewater disposal. The Commission primarily relies on the oil and gas programs and the experienced agency staff of the state in which the natural gas well is located to manage well construction and operation.

Water Sources for Uses Related to Natural Gas Well Development: Existing Commission regulations establish a program for regulating water withdrawals. These Commission requirements serve multiple water resources objectives including, among others, preserving river flows to protect in-stream living resources and downstream withdrawals, and ensuring adequate assimilative capacity for approved discharges. The Commission has in other regulations established thresholds for project review based on the thirty-day average volume of water withdrawals. Water withdrawals for natural gas development including high volume hydraulic fracturing may have substantial water quality impacts due to their high intermittent daily withdrawal volume. Consequently, this Article requires that water used for natural gas development projects must come from water sources that have been approved by the Commission for use for natural gas development. The requirements for approval are designed to protect minimum stream flows, provide a