

revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received, this exemption will become effective on April 22, 2017, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,<sup>2</sup> formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2),<sup>3</sup> and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by April 3, 2017. Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by April 12, 2017, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to NSR's representative: William A. Mullins, Baker & Miller PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20037.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

NSR has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue an environmental assessment (EA) by March 28, 2017. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA by writing to OEA (Room 1100, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423-0001) or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or interim trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), NSR shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the Line. If

consummation has not been effected by NSR's filing of a notice of consummation by March 23, 2018, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available on our Web site at "WWW.STB.GOV."

Decided: March 20, 2017.

By the Board, Rachel D. Campbell, Director, Office of Proceedings.

**Marline Simeon,**  
Clearance Clerk.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### **Notice of Availability of the Federal Aviation Administration Written Re-Evaluation, Adoption, and Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision of Department of Navy's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Navy's Environmental Assessment for the Mariana Islands Range Complex Airspace**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of record of decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its decision to adopt the Department of the Navy's (DoN) Environmental Assessment/Overseas Environmental Assessment (EA/OEA) for the Mariana Islands Range Complex Airspace. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 ("NEPA"), the Council on Environmental Quality's ("CEQ") regulations implementing NEPA, and other applicable authorities, including the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order 1050.1F, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures, paragraph 8-2, and FAA Order JO 7400.2K, "Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters," paragraph 32-2-3, the FAA has conducted an independent review and evaluation of the DoN's Final Mariana Islands Range Complex (MIRC) Airspace EA/OEA dated June 2013. As a cooperating agency with responsibility for approving special use airspace the FAA provided subject matter expertise and closely coordinated with the DoN during the environmental review process, including preparation of the Draft EA/OEA and the Final EA/OEA. Based on its independent review and evaluation, the FAA has determined the Final EA/OEA, including its

supporting documentation, as incorporated by reference, and other supporting documentation incorporated by reference for FAA's Written Re-Evaluation and Adoption of Final EA/OEA, adequately assesses and discloses the environmental impacts of the for Mariana Islands Range Complex Airspace, and that adoption of the Final EA/OEA by the FAA is authorized by regulation. FAA included the Written Re-Evaluation as part of the Adoption and FONSI-ROD because the DoN's FONSI is more than three years old. Accordingly, the FAA adopts the Final EA/OEA, and takes full responsibility for the scope and content that addresses the proposed changes to Special Use Airspace for MIRC.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Paula Miller, Airspace Policy and Regulations Group, Office of Airspace Services, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-7378.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

In December 2012, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act and its implementing regulations, the DoN released a Draft EA/OEA. The Draft EA/OEA presented the potential environmental consequences of the DoN's proposal to establish Special Use Airspace to support Navy training activities that involve the use of advanced weapons systems. The DoN is the proponent for the MIRC Airspace and is the lead agency for the preparation of the EA/OEA, and the DoN issued their FONSI on June 15, 2013. As a result of public, agency, and tribal comments during the 46-day public comment period from December 20, 2012 through February 4, 2013 on the Draft EA/OEA, and the FAA aeronautical review process, the DoN, FAA, other federal and state agencies, and tribal governments have consulted to mitigate concerns while continuing to meet national defense training requirements. The FAA is a cooperating agency responsible for approving Special Use Airspace as defined in 40 CFR 1508.5.

##### **Implementation**

The FAA is establishing Restricted Area 7201A and Warning Areas 11, 12, and 13. The MIRC legal descriptions have been modified to identify the correct US Territory from the description in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 51498) on August 25, 2015, and circularization to the public

<sup>2</sup> The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

<sup>3</sup> Each OFA must be accompanied by the filing fee, which is currently set at \$1,700. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

on September 15, 2015 with Docket 15–AWP–4NR. The revised legal descriptions do not change the Special Use Airspace request or the analysis done in the Final EA/OEA and the Aeronautical Study. The modification to the legal description did not change the area of analysis; therefore, the environmental and aeronautical analyses are still valid. The legal descriptions for the MRIC Airspace established, as noted in this notice, will be published in the **Federal Register** as a Final Rule and in the National Flight Data Digest (NFDD) with a June 22, 2017 effective date. A copy of the FAA Written Re-Evaluation/FONSI–ROD is available on the FAA Web site.

### Right of Appeal

The Written Re-evaluation, the Adoption, and FONSI–ROD for the changes to the MIRC Airspace constitutes a final order of the FAA Administrator and is subject to exclusive judicial review under 49 U.S.C. 46110 by the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia or the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the circuit in which the person contesting the decision resides or has its principal place of business. Any party having substantial interest in this order may apply for review of the decision by filing a petition for review in the appropriate U.S. Court of Appeals no later than 60 days after the order is issued in accordance with the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 46110.

Dated: March 15, 2017.

#### Richard Roberts,

Acting Manager, Operations Support Group,  
Western Service Center.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### [Summary Notice No. PE–2017–07]

#### 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 regulations. 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 April 12, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments identified by docket number FAA–2016–7647 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 digitally.
- *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 the 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.regulations.gov> at 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Deana Stedman, ANM–113, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057–3356, email [deana.stedman@faa.gov](mailto:deana.stedman@faa.gov), phone (425) 227–2148.

This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on February 8, 2017.

**Victor Wicklund,**

Manager, Transport Standards Staff.

### Petition for Exemption

*Docket No.:* FAA–2016–7647.

*Petitioner:* Textron Aviation Inc.

*Section of 14 CFR Affected:*

§ 25.981(a)(3).

*Description of Relief Sought:* The petitioner seeks an exemption from the requirements of 14 CFR 25.981(a)(3) at Amendment 25–125, with respect to fuel tank ignition prevention as it relates to lightning protection of fuel tank structure and systems for the Model 700 airplane. This petition is made in accordance with FAA Policy PS–ANM–25.981–02 dated June 24, 2014.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA–2016–0033]

#### Motorcyclist Advisory Council to the Federal Highway Administration

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of nomination deadline.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is announcing the extension of the deadline for nomination applications for the Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC) until April 15, 2017.

**DATES:** The deadline for nominations for MAC membership is extended to April 15, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** All nomination materials should be emailed to [MAC-FHWA@dot.gov](mailto:MAC-FHWA@dot.gov) or mailed attention to Mr. Michael Griffith, Federal Highway Administration, Office of Safety, Room E71–312, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590. Any person needing accessibility accommodations should contact Michael Griffith at (202) 366–9469.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Michael Griffith, Office of Safety, (202) 366–9469 or [MAC-FHWA@dot.gov](mailto:MAC-FHWA@dot.gov); 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590; or Ms. Seetha Srinivasan, Office of the Chief Counsel—Legislation, Regulations, and General Law Division, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366–4099 or [Seetha.Srinivasan@dot.gov](mailto:Seetha.Srinivasan@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA published its notice establishing the MAC and soliciting nominations for