

had determined that the NPRM was necessary to comply with the regulation titled “Transport Airplane Fuel Tank System Design Review, Flammability Reduction and Maintenance and Inspection Requirements” (66 FR 23086, May 7, 2001). In addition to new airworthiness standards for transport airplanes and new maintenance requirements, this rule included Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 88 (“SFAR 88,” Amendment 21–78, and subsequent Amendments 21–82 and 21–83).

Subsequently, we have determined the fuel pump connector redesign/improvement issue is adequately addressed by the actions required by AD 2016–04–16. The risk of the unsafe condition developing during the remaining life of the airplanes identified in the applicability of the proposed AD (e.g., the TriJet fleet) has been greatly reduced by the installation of additional ignition prevention design features such as fault current detectors, automatic pump shutoff, and uncommanded dry running detection systems, which are mandated by AD 2016–04–16. The risk of a fuel tank explosion in a Trijet airplane with low flammability exposure time fuel tanks is not foreseeable.

We are considering further rulemaking to revise AD 2016–04–16 to include an optional replacement, *i.e.*, installing the new connectors introduced in Boeing Service Bulletin DC10–28–264, dated May 15, 2015, and Boeing Service Bulletin MD11–28–146, dated May 15, 2015, as specified in the NPRM. Accomplishing this option would end the 24-month repetitive inspections required by paragraph (j) of AD 2016–04–16 for that airplane.

FAA’s Conclusions

Upon further consideration, we have determined that the NPRM is not necessary to address the identified safety concern. Accordingly, the NPRM is withdrawn.

Withdrawal of the NPRM does not preclude the FAA from issuing another related action or commit the FAA to any course of action in the future.

Regulatory Impact

Since this action only withdraws an NPRM, it is neither a proposed nor a final rule and therefore is not covered under Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, or DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979).

Authority for This Rulemaking

This withdrawal of an NPRM is issued in accordance with authority

delegated by the Executive Director, Aircraft Certification Service, as authorized by FAA Order 8000.51C. In accordance with that order, issuance of ADs is normally a function of the Compliance and Airworthiness Division, but during this transition period, the Executive Director has delegated the authority to issue ADs applicable to transport category airplanes to the Director of the System Oversight Division.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Withdrawal

Accordingly, we withdraw the NPRM, Docket No. FAA–2016–6417, Product Identifier 2015–NM–134–AD, which was published in the **Federal Register** on May 10, 2016 (81 FR 28770).

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Evaluation of Existing Regulations

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Education.

ACTION: Request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On June 22, 2017, we published in the **Federal Register** a request for input on regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement, or modification. That request established a 60-day comment period beginning on June 22, 2017, and closing on August 21, 2017. We are extending the public comment period for 30 days, until September 20, 2017.

DATES: The comment period for the request for comments published on June 22, 2017 (82 FR 28431), is extended. We must receive your comments on or before September 20, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. We will not accept comments by fax or email. To ensure that we do not receive duplicate copies, please submit your comments only

once. In addition, please include the Docket ID at the top of your comments.

Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to www.regulations.gov to submit your comments electronically. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing agency documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket, is available on the site under the “Help” tab.

Postal Mail, Commercial Delivery, or Hand Delivery: The Department strongly encourages commenters to submit their comments electronically. However, if you mail or deliver your comments in response to this request, address them to Hilary Malawer, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Room 6E231, Washington, DC 20202.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 22, 2017, in accordance with Executive Order 13777, “Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda,” we published in the **Federal Register** a request for input on regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement, or modification (82 FR 28431). That request established a 60-day comment period beginning on June 22, 2017, and closing on August 21, 2017. To ensure that all interested parties are provided ample time and opportunity to submit comments, we are extending the public comment period for an additional 30 days. Written comments must be submitted to us no later than September 20, 2017.

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Dated: August 7, 2017.

Betsy DeVos,

Secretary of Education.

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