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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary With EUROCAE WG-96

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-96.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-96.

DATES: The meeting will be held February 27-March 02, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: RTCA Headquarters, 1150 18th Street NW, Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Morrison at rmorrison@rtca.org or 202-330-0654, or The RTCA Secretariat, 1150 18th Street NW, Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by telephone at (202) 833-9339, fax at (202) 833-9434, or website at <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-96. The agenda will include the following:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

1. Welcome/Administrative Duties
2. IPR/Membership Call-Out and Introductions
3. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes for the Third Joint Plenary of SC-236/WG-96 Held in Cologne In November 2017
4. Review Plenary Agenda and Sub-Working Group Schedule Including Delivery Schedule for White Paper and MOPS
5. Break Into Sub-Working Group Meetings When Plenary Business Complete

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

6. Continue With Plenary or Sub-Working Group Meetings

Thursday, March 1, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

7. Continue With Plenary or Sub-Working Group Meetings

Friday, March 2, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

8. Continue With Plenary or Sub-Working Group Meetings
9. Reports of the Sub-Working Groups
10. Status and Review of the Draft Paper SC-236 Intermediate Report (Dedicated for ICAO Job Card)
11. Review of Special Committee Schedule
12. Approve Changes and Updates to the Terms of Reference
13. New Business Discussions
14. Review of Action Items
15. Plan for Next Meeting
16. Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Mixed Phase and Ice Crystal Icing Envelope (Deep Convective Clouds) Requirements—Revision of Appendix D to 14 CFR Part 33—New Task

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of a new task assignment for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) and solicitation of membership applicants.

SUMMARY: The FAA assigned the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) a new task to provide recommendations on ice crystal icing (ICI) requirements. Because more extensive ICI data is available today, the FAA needs to determine if current regulations accurately reflect the existing ICI environment. This notice informs the public of the new ARAC activity and solicits membership for the new Ice Crystal Icing Working Group (ICIWG).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alan Strom, Federal Aviation Administration, Rulemaking and Policy Branch, AIR-6A1, Engine & Propeller Standards Branch, Aircraft Certification Service, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803-9997, email alan.strom@faa.gov, phone (781) 238-7143, facsimile (781) 238-7199.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

ARAC Acceptance of Task

At the September 14, 2017, ARAC meeting, the FAA assigned and ARAC accepted this task. ARAC designated the task to the Transport Airplane and Engine (TAE) Subcommittee to establish the ICIWG. The working group will support the ARAC, through the TAE Subcommittee, and provide advice and recommendations on the assigned task. The TAE Subcommittee will send the recommendation report to the ARAC for review and acceptance. After ARAC accepts the recommendation report, it will send the recommendation report to the FAA.

Background

The FAA established the ARAC to provide information, advice, and recommendations on aviation related issues that could result in rulemaking to the FAA Administrator, through the Associate Administrator of Aviation Safety. This includes obtaining advice and recommendations on the FAA's commitments to harmonize Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) with the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

Amendment 33–34, published in the *Federal Register* (79 FR 65507, November 4, 2014), revised airplane and engine certification requirements in supercooled large drop, mixed phase, and ICI conditions. Appendix D to part 33—Mixed Phase and ICI Envelope (Deep Convective Clouds) was added to depict the ICI envelope derived from adiabatic lapse calculations based on a theoretical atmospheric model. The FAA adopted these requirements, in part, as a response to the National Transportation Safety Board safety recommendations A–96–54 and A–96–56. Since that time, the FAA in concert with other Federal agencies, civil airworthiness agencies, and industry sponsored three separate flight test campaigns to gather detailed ICI environmental test data. This flight test data has enabled a more accurate representation of ICI threat to aircraft turbojet, turbofan, and turboprop engines encountered in service. The objective of the ARAC task is to evaluate whether current engine or airplane air data probe responses to ICI warrant the use of an environmental envelope different from those existing in appendix D to part 33.

The Task

The ICIWG will provide advice and recommendations to the ARAC through the TAE Subcommittee on appendix D to part 33, and harmonization of § 33.68 *Induction system icing* requirements as follows:

1. Evaluate recent ICI environment data obtained from both government and industry to determine whether flight testing data supports the existing appendix D envelope.
2. Evaluate the results carried out in task 1 and recommend changes to the existing appendix D envelope, as applicable.
3. Compare available service data on air data probes from both government and industry probes on appendix D, including any changes proposed in task 2. Determine whether engine or aircraft air data probe responses warrant the use of a different environmental envelope

from those proposed in task 2, or to the existing appendix D envelope.

4. Evaluate the results from task 3 and recommend ICI boundaries relevant to aircraft and engine air data probes. If the working group proposes a different envelope for aircraft and engine air data probes, recommend if these should be included in the existing appendix D, or create a new appendix to part 33.

5. Identify non-harmonized FAA or EASA ICI regulations or guidance. If the working group finds significant differences that impact safety, propose changes to increase harmonization.

6. Recommend changes to the advisory circular, AC 20–147A, *Turbojet, Turboprop, Turboshaft, and Turbofan Engine Induction System Icing and Ice Ingestion*, based on task 1 through 5 results.

7. Assist the FAA in determining the initial qualitative and quantitative costs, and benefits that may result from the working group's recommendations.

8. Develop a recommendations report containing the results of tasks 1 through 6. The report should document both majority and dissenting positions on the findings, the rationale for each position, and reasons for disagreement.

Schedule

The recommendation report should be submitted to the FAA for review and acceptance no later than 24 months from the first ICIWG meeting. The ICIWG will remain in existence for 30 months from the first ICIWG meeting.

Working Group Activity

The ICIWG must comply with the procedures adopted by the ARAC as follows:

1. Conduct a review and analysis of the assigned tasks and any other related materials or documents.
2. Draft and submit a work plan for completion of the task, including the rationale supporting such a plan for consideration by the TAE Subcommittee.
3. Provide a status report at each TAE Subcommittee meeting.
4. Draft and submit the recommendation report based on the review and analysis of the assigned tasks.
5. Present the recommendation report at the TAE Subcommittee meeting.

Roles and Responsibilities

The ICIWG will be comprised of technical experts having an interest in the assigned task. A working group member need not be a member representative of the ARAC or the TAE Subcommittee. The FAA would like a wide range of members to ensure all

aspects of the tasks are considered in development of the recommendations. The provisions of the August 13, 2014, Office of Management and Budget guidance, "*Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions*" (79 FR 47482), continues the ban on registered lobbyists participating on Agency Boards and Commissions if participating in their "individual capacity." The revised guidance now allows registered lobbyists to participate on Agency Boards and Commissions in a "representative capacity" for the "express purpose of providing a committee with the views of a nongovernmental entity, a recognizable group of persons or nongovernmental entities (an industry, sector, labor unions, or environmental groups, etc.) or state or local government." (For further information see Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (LDA) as amended, 2 U.S.C 1603, 1604, and 1605.)

If you wish to become a member of the ICIWG, write the person listed under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** expressing that desire. Describe your interest in the task and state the expertise you would bring to the working group. The FAA must receive all requests by February 20, 2018. The ARAC, through the TAE Subcommittee, and the FAA will review the requests and advise you whether or not your request is approved.

The members of the ICIWG must actively participate in the working group, attend all meetings, and provide written comments when requested. The members must devote the resources necessary to support the working group in meeting any assigned deadlines. Members must keep management and those they may represent advised of working group activities and decisions to ensure the proposed technical solutions do not conflict with the position of those represented. Once the working group has begun deliberations, members will not be added or substituted without the approval of the ARAC Chair, the TAE Subcommittee Chair, the Working Group Chair, and the FAA, including the Designated Federal Officer.

The Secretary of Transportation determined the formation and use of the ARAC is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the FAA by law.

Confidential Information

All final work products submitted to ARAC are public documents. Therefore,

it should not contain any non-public proprietary, privileged, business, commercial, and other sensitive information (collectively, Confidential Information) that the working group members would not want to be publicly available. With respect to working groups, there may be instances where members will share Commercial Information within the working group for purposes of completing an assigned task. Members must not disclose to any third party, or use for any purposes other than the assigned task, any and all Confidential Information disclosed to one party by the other party, without the prior written consent of the party whose Confidential Information is being disclosed. All parties must treat the Confidential Information of the disclosing party as it would treat its own Confidential Information, but in no event shall it use less than a reasonable degree of care. If any Confidential Information is shared with the FAA representative on a working group, it must be properly marked in accordance with the Office of Rulemaking Committee Manual, ARM-001-15.

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Designated Federal Officer, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Fourteenth RTCA SC-229 406 MHz ELT Joint Plenary With EUROCAE WG-98

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Fourteenth RTCA SC-229 406 MHz ELT Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-98.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of the Fourteenth RTCA SC-229 406 MHz ELT Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-98.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 13-16, 2018 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at: THALES ALENIA SPACE, 26 avenue J.F. Champollion, Toulouse, FRANCE. Registration is required to attend this event no later than February 2, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Morrison at rmorrison@rtca.org or 202-330-0654, or The RTCA Secretariat, 1150 18th Street NW, Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by telephone at (202) 833-9339, fax at (202)

833-9434, or website at <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the Fourteenth RTCA SC-229 406 MHz ELT Joint Plenary with EUROCAE WG-98. The agenda will include the following:

Tuesday March 13, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

1. Welcome/introductions/administrative remarks/DFO FAA statement
2. Agenda overview and approval
3. Minutes Washington DC meeting review and approval
4. Review action items from Washington DC meeting
5. Week's plan
6. Working group of the whole meeting (rest of the day) to answer the comments received during the second pre-FRAC/open consultation

Wednesday March 14, 2018 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

7. Working group of the whole meeting to answer the comments received during the pre-FRAC/OC

Thursday March 15, 2018 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

8. Working group of the whole meeting to answer the comments received during the pre-FRAC/OC

Friday March 16, 2018 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

9. Action item review
10. Consider a motion to open final review and comment/open consultation on the revision to RTCA/DO-204B, EUROCAE ED-62B
11. Future meeting plans and dates for formal FRAC/open consultation
12. Future meeting plans for the WG-98 (MASPS for return link service)
13. Other business
14. Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. Registration is required to attend the event no later than February 2, 2018. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee—New Task (Part 145 Working Group)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of a new task assignment for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) and solicitation of membership applicants.

SUMMARY: The FAA has assigned the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) a new task to provide recommendations regarding the agency's guidance on the certification and oversight of all part 145 repair stations. This notice informs the public of the new ARAC activity and solicits membership for the new Part 145 Working Group.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul M. Cloutier, Federal Aviation Administration, AFS-300, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, paul.m.cloutier@faa.gov, (858) 999-7671, (202) 267-1812.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

ARAC Acceptance of Task

As a result of its December 14, 2017, ARAC meeting, the ARAC accepted this tasking to establish a Part 145 Working Group. The Part 145 Working Group will serve as staff to the ARAC and provide advice and recommendations on the assigned task. The ARAC will review and accept the initial and final recommendation reports and will submit them to the FAA.

Background

The FAA established the ARAC to provide information, advice, and recommendations on aviation-related issues to the FAA Administrator, through the Associate Administrator of Aviation Safety.

The FAA recognizes the critical role that guidance documents play. Well-designed guidance documents serve many important functions both within an organization and externally to the regulatory programs they support. While guidance documents do not have the