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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Keira Jones, (202) 267–9677, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591.

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**Lirio Liu,**

*Executive Director, Office of Rulemaking.*

### Petition for Exemption

*Docket No.:* FAA–2018–0251.

*Petitioner:* Haverfield International Incorporated.

*Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected:* §§ 91.9(a), and 133.43(a) and (b).

*Description of Relief Sought:* The petitioner seeks relief from §§ 91.9(a), 133.43(a) and (b) for continued use of the Onboard System STC SR008925E and SR01778SE for Human External Cargo (HEC) operations due to no availability of compliant cargo hooks for class B human external cargo. The relief sought encompasses the petitioner's fleet of MD500 aircraft until an alternate method of compliance is available.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highway in Washington

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

**ACTION:** Notice of limitation on claims for judicial review of actions by FHWA.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces actions taken by the FHWA that are final. The action relates to the issuance of a Record of Decision for the Washington State Convention Center (WSCC) Addition in the City of Seattle, King County, State of Washington.

**DATES:** By this notice, the FHWA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(j)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before September 17, 2018. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For FHWA, Lindsey Handel, Urban Transportation Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 711 S Capitol Way, Suite 501, Olympia, WA 98501–1284, telephone: (360) 753–9550, or email: [Lindsey.Handel@dot.gov](mailto:Lindsey.Handel@dot.gov); or Jane Lewis, Project Coordinator, Washington State Convention Center, c/o Pine Street Group L.L.C., 1500 Fourth Ave., Suite 600, Seattle, WA 98101, telephone: (206) 340–9897, or email: [jane@pinest.com](mailto:jane@pinest.com).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that FHWA has taken final agency action(s) subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(j)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the subject highway project in the State of Washington. The purpose of the proposed action is two-fold: To enable the WSCC Public Facilities District to construct and operate an addition to the WSCC; and to enable the future redevelopment of the King County Convention Place Station portion of the site.

The proposed WSCC Addition would be a multi-level development of approximately 1.59 million square feet on a 3-block, 7.67-ac. site that is located northeast of the existing WSCC. This area includes five City rights-of-way that are proposed for full or subterranean vacation. The King County Site Work component of this project would occur prior to construction of the proposed WSCC Addition. Construction sequencing would enable King County Metro buses to continue to use CPS and operate in the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel until at least March 2019 or September 2019, depending upon the City of Seattle's permit approval process. It is proposed that the WSCC Addition be operational by 2021.

The actions by the Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Record of Decision for the project approved on March 23, 2018, and in other documents in the project records. The Draft EIS, Final EIS/ROD, and other project records are available from FHWA and WSDOT at the addresses provided above and can be found at: <http://www.wscaddition.com>.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions that are final as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. *General:* National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321–4351); Federal-Aid Highway Act (23 U.S.C. 109 and 23 U.S.C. 128).

2. *Air:* Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q).

3. *Land:* Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (49 U.S.C. 303; 23 U.S.C. 138); Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers) (23 U.S.C. 319).

4. *Wildlife:* Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 and Section 1536); Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1361–1423h); Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 U.S.C. 661–667d); Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703–712).

5. *Historic and Cultural Resources:* Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470f); Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 (16 U.S.C. 470aa–470mm); Archeological and Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 469–469c); Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) (25 U.S.C. 3001–3013).

6. *Social and Economic:* American Indian Religious Freedom Act (42 U.S.C. 1996); Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) (7 U.S.C. 4201–4209).

7. *Wetlands and Water Resources:* Clean Water Act (Section 404, Section 401, Section 319) (33 U.S.C. 1251–1387); Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) (16 U.S.C. 4601–4604); Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) (42 U.S.C. 300f–300j–26); Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 401–406); Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271–1287); Emergency Wetlands Resources Act, (16 U.S.C. 3901, 3921); Wetlands Mitigation (23 U.S.C. 119(g) and 133(b)(14)); Flood Disaster Protection Act, 42 U.S.C. 4012a, 4106).

8. *Executive Orders:* E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority

Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

**Authority:** 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).

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**Daniel M. Mathis,**

*Division Administrator, Olympia, Washington.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary of Transportation

#### Announcement of Requirements for the Secretary of Transportation's RAISE (Recognizing Aviation and Aerospace Innovation in Science and Engineering) Awards

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary of Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to a recommendation by the Future of Aviation Advisory Committee, the Secretary of Transportation, through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), is announcing the fifth annual competition to recognize students with the ability to demonstrate unique, innovative thinking in aerospace science and engineering. There are two divisions within the competition: a high school division and a university division (both undergraduate and graduate). The Department of Transportation (DOT) intends to use the competition to incentivize students at high schools and universities to think creatively in developing innovative solutions to aviation and aerospace issues, and to share those innovations with the broader community.

**DATES:** Submissions accepted April 20, 2018 through midnight on June 1, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Watts, Ph.D., Federal Aviation Administration, [patricia.watts@faa.gov](mailto:patricia.watts@faa.gov),

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Award Approving Official:* Elaine L. Chao, Secretary of Transportation.

*Subject of Challenge Competition:* The Secretary's RAISE Award competition will recognize innovative scientific and engineering achievements that will have a significant impact on the future of aerospace or aviation. On behalf of the Secretary, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will accept student submissions in June and conduct an evaluation in July 2018. The rules for this competition will also be available at <http://www.challenge.gov>.

*Eligibility:* To be eligible to participate in the Secretary's RAISE Award competition, students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. For the high school division, the students must have been enrolled in at least one semester (or quarterly equivalent) at a U.S. high school (or equivalent approved home school program) in 2018. For the University division, the student must have been enrolled in a U.S.-based college or university for at least one semester (or quarterly equivalent) during 2017. Students may participate and be recognized as individuals or in teams. Each member of a team must meet the eligibility criteria. An individual may join more than one team. There is no charge to enter the competition.

The following additional rules apply:

1. Candidates shall submit a project in the competition under the rules promulgated by the Department of Transportation (DOT);

2. Candidates shall agree to execute indemnifications and waivers of claims against the Federal government as provided in this Notice;

3. Candidates may not be a Federal entity or Federal employee acting within the scope of employment;

4. Candidates may not be an employee of the DOT, including but not limited to the FAA;

5. Candidates shall not be deemed ineligible because an individual used Federal facilities or consulted with Federal employees during a competition, if the facilities and employees are made available to all individuals participating in the competition on an equitable basis;

6. The competition is subject to all applicable Federal laws and regulations. Participation constitutes the Candidates' full and unconditional agreement to these rules and to the Secretary's decisions, which are final and binding in all matters related to this competition;

7. Submissions which in the Secretary's sole discretion are determined to be substantially similar to a prior submitted entry may be disqualified;

8. Submissions must be original, must be the work of the Candidates, and must not violate the rights of other parties. All submissions remain the property of the applicants. Each Candidate represents and warrants that s/he, or the team, is the sole author and owner of the submission, that the submission is wholly original, that it does not infringe any copyright or any other rights of any third party of which the Candidate is aware, and, if submitted in electronic form, is free of malware;

9. By submitting an entry, contestants and entrants agree to assume any and all risks and waive any claims against the Federal Government and its related entities (except in the case of willful misconduct) for any injury, death, damage, or loss of property, revenue or profits, whether direct, indirect, or consequential, arising from their participation in this contest, whether the injury, death, damage, or loss arises through negligence or otherwise;

10. The Secretary and the Secretary's designees have the right to request access to supporting materials from the Candidates;

11. The submissions cannot have been submitted in the same or substantially similar form in any previous Federally-sponsored promotion or Federally-sponsored contest, of any kind;

12. Each Candidate grants to the FAA, the DOT, as well as other Federal agencies with which it partners, the right to use names, likeness, application materials, photographs, voices, opinions, and/or hometown and state for the Department's promotional purposes in any media, in perpetuity, worldwide, without further payment or consideration; and

13. The FAA Administrator collects personal information from Candidates when they enter this competition. The information collected is subject to the Challenge Post privacy policy located at <http://www.challengepost.com/privacy>.

*Expression of Interest:* While not required, students are strongly encouraged to send brief expressions of interest to the FAA prior to submitting entries. The expressions of interest should be sent by May 10, 2018 to [Patricia.Watts@faa.gov](mailto:Patricia.Watts@faa.gov). It should include the following elements: (1) Name of candidates; (2) name of educational institutions with which candidates are affiliated; (3) telephone and email addresses for each candidate; and (4) a synopsis of the concept, limited to no more than two pages,