

The Board waived its regulations at 49 CFR 1151.2(d) and conditionally accepted the application, even though the application did not contain the required NLV information, subject to Applicant's submission of an NLV estimate and supporting information by December 28, 2020. *Id.* at 1–2.² The Board also stated that LPPC should submit a copy of any contract pertaining to the Line with North Louisiana & Arkansas Railroad (NLA), the proposed operator of the Line, as soon as the parties reach an agreement. *Id.* at 6 n.17.

On December 22, 2020, LPPC submitted an estimate of the NLV and supporting evidence, along with the lease agreement between LPPC and NLA that would govern NLA's operation of the Line.³ Accordingly, the Board will accept the application and will adopt the following procedural schedule as set out at 49 CFR 1151.2:

- Competing applications by other parties seeking to acquire all or any portion of the Line are due by February 16, 2021.
- Verified statements and comments addressing both the initial and competing applications must be filed by March 16, 2021.
- Verified replies by applicants and other interested parties must be filed by April 5, 2021.

It is ordered:

1. LPPC's feeder line application is accepted and notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.
2. The above schedule will govern this proceeding.
3. This decision is effective on its service date.

Decided Date: January 11, 2021.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Aretha Laws-Byrum,
Clearance Clerk.

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both the NLV and the going concern value (GCV) of the line. Here, however, LPPC asserts that the GCV of the Line is \$0 so only an NLV estimate was required for purposes of making the application complete. *See December 11 Decision*, slip op. at 5 & n.14 (also noting that if the application were accepted, DSR would have the opportunity to provide evidence and argument to counter LPPC's assertion that the Line has no GCV).

²The Board stated that, upon receipt of the NLV evidence by the specified date, it would publish notice of acceptance of the application and a procedural schedule in the **Federal Register**. *December 11 Decision*, slip op. at 2.

³On December 22, 2020, LPPC filed both public and confidential versions of the agreement. On December 28, 2020, LPPC filed an unredacted public version of the agreement previously filed under seal.

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Notice of Amendment to Product Exclusion and Product Exclusion Extension: China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Effective September 24, 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative imposed additional duties on goods of China with an annual trade value of approximately \$200 billion as part of the action in the Section 301 investigation of China's acts, policies, and practices related to technology transfer, intellectual property, and innovation. On June 24, 2019, the U.S. Trade Representative established a process by which U.S. stakeholders could request the exclusion of particular products subject to the action. The exclusions granted under the \$200 billion action were scheduled to expire on August 7, 2020. On May 6 and June 3, 2020, the U.S. Trade Representative invited the public to comment on whether to extend particular exclusions. On August 11, 2020, the U.S. Trade Representative announced its determination to extend certain previously granted exclusions. This notice announces the U.S. Trade Representative's determination to make a technical amendment to a previously granted exclusion and the extension to that exclusion.

DATES: The product exclusion amendment announced in annex A of this notice will apply from September 24, 2018 to August 7, 2020. The product exclusion extension amendment announced in annex B of this notice will apply from August 7, 2020 and continue through December 31, 2020. This notice does not further extend the period for product exclusions or extensions. U.S. Customs and Border Protection will issue instructions on entry guidance and implementation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions about this notice, contact Associate General Counsel Philip Butler or Assistant General Counsel Benjamin Allen, or Director of Industrial Goods Justin Hoffmann at (202) 395–5725. For specific questions on customs classification or implementation of the product exclusions identified in the Annex to this notice, contact traderemedy@cbp.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

For background on the proceedings in this investigation, please see prior notices including 82 FR 40213 (August 24, 2017), 83 FR 14906 (April 6, 2018), 83 FR 28710 (June 20, 2018), 83 FR 33608 (July 17, 2018), 83 FR 38760 (August 7, 2018), 83 FR 47974 (September 21, 2018), 83 FR 49153 (September 28, 2018), 83 FR 65198 (December 19, 2018), 84 FR 7966 (March 5, 2019), 84 FR 20459 (May 9, 2019), 84 FR 29576 (June 24, 2019), 84 FR 38717 (August 7, 2019), 84 FR 46212 (September 3, 2019), 84 FR 49591 (September 20, 2019), 84 FR 57803 (October 28, 2019), 84 FR 61674 (November 13, 2019), 84 FR 65882 (November 29, 2019), 84 FR 69012 (December 17, 2019), 85 FR 549 (January 6, 2020), 85 FR 6674 (February 5, 2020), 85 FR 9921 (February 20, 2020), 85 FR 15015 (March 16, 2020), 85 FR 17158 (March 26, 2020), 85 FR 23122 (April 24, 2020), 85 FR 27011 (May 6, 2020), 85 FR 27489 (May 8, 2020), 85 FR 32094 (May 28, 2020), 85 FR 34279 (June 3, 2020), 85 FR 38000 (June 24, 2020), 85 FR 42968 (July 15, 2020), 85 FR 48600 (August 11, 2020), 85 FR 52188 (August 24, 2020), 85 FR 57925 (September 16, 2020), 85 FR 63329 (October 7, 2020), 85 FR 63332 (October 7, 2020).

Effective September 24, 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative imposed additional 10 percent *ad valorem* duties on goods of China classified in 5,757 full and partial subheadings of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), with an approximate annual trade value of \$200 billion. *See* 83 FR 47974, as modified by 83 FR 49153. In May 2019, the U.S. Trade Representative increased the additional duty to 25 percent. *See* 84 FR 20459. On June 24, 2019, the U.S. Trade Representative established a process by which stakeholders could request exclusion of particular products classified within an 8-digit HTSUS subheading covered by the \$200 billion action from the additional duties. *See* 84 FR 29576 (June 24 notice). The U.S. Trade Representative issued a notice setting out the process for the product exclusions and opened a public docket. The exclusions the U.S. Trade Representative granted under the \$200 billion action expired on August 7, 2020. *See* 84 FR 38717 (August 7, 2019).

On May 6 and June 3, 2020, the U.S. Trade Representative invited the public to comment on whether to extend by up to 12 months, particular exclusions granted under the \$200 billion action. *See* 85 FR 27011 (May 6, 2020); 85 FR 34279 (June 3, 2020). On August 11, 2020, the U.S. Trade Representative

announced its determination to extend certain previously granted exclusions. See 85 FR 48600 (August 11, 2020).

B. Technical Amendment to an Exclusion

Annex A contains one technical amendment to U.S. note 20(qq)(25) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS, as established in the annex of the notice published at 85 FR 6674 (February 5, 2020).

Annex A

Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on September 24, 2018, and before August 7, 2020, U.S. note 20(qq)(25) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is modified by deleting “zinc oxide absorbent” and by inserting “zinc oxide” in lieu thereof.

C. Technical Amendment to an Exclusion Extension

Annex B contains one technical amendment to U.S. note 20(iii)(54), to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS, as established in the annex of the notice published at 85 FR 48600 (August 11, 2020).

Annex B

Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on August 7, 2020, and through December 31, 2020, U.S. note 20(iii)(54) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is modified by deleting “zinc oxide absorbent” and by inserting “zinc oxide” in lieu thereof.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

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Agency Information Collection

Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed

Approval of Information Collection: Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew information collection. Aircraft Operators seeking specific operational approval to conduct Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) operations must submit application to the FAA. Specific approval is required when aircraft operators intend to operate outside the United States (U.S.) or their aircraft are not equipped with Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast (ADS-B) Out.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by March 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments:

By Electronic Docket:
www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field)

By mail: Christina Clausnitzer, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Flight Technologies and Procedures Division, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 4102, Washington, DC 20024

By fax: (202) 267-8791

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christina Clausnitzer by email at: Christina.Clausnitzer@faa.gov; phone: (303) 342-1965

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0679.

Title: Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum.

Form Numbers: N/A.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Background: The authority to collect data from aircraft operators seeking operational approval to conduct Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) operations is contained in Part 91, Section 91.180, as established by a final rule published in the **Federal Register** on October 27, 2003 (68 FR 61304) and in Part 91, Section 91.706, as established by a final rule published

April 9, 1997 (62 FR 17487, Apr 9, 1997). Aircraft operators seeking specific operational approval to conduct RVSM operations outside the U.S. must submit their application to the responsible Flight Standards office. The responsible Flight Standards office registers RVSM approved airframes in the FAA RVSM Approvals Database to track the approval status for operator airframes. Application information includes evidence of aircraft equipment and RVSM qualification information along with operational training and program elements.

Respondents: Operators are required to submit application for RVSM specific approval if they desire to operate in RVSM airspace outside the U.S. or if they do not meet the provisions of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR), Part 91, Appendix G, Section 9—Aircraft Equipped with Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast Out. The FAA estimates processing 856 initial applications annually and 1,998 annual updates to existing approvals.

Frequency: An Operator must make application for initial specific approval to operate in RVSM airspace, or whenever requesting an update to an existing approval.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 4.00 hours for updates to existing applications and 6.8 hours for application of initial approvals.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 13,813 hours [(1,998 × 4.00) + (856 × 6.8)].

Issued in District of Columbia on January 8, 2021.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Public Notice for Waiver of Aeronautical Land Use Assurance Astoria Regional Airport, Astoria, Oregon

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is being given that the FAA is considering a proposal from the Port of Astoria Airport Director to change certain portions of the airport from aeronautical use to non-aeronautical use at Astoria Regional Airport, Astoria, Oregon. The proposal