Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD Docket (including any comments and service information), by appointment, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. See ADDRESSES for the location.

Regulatory Findings

We have determined that this AD will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This AD will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that the regulation:

- 1. Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866;
- 2. Is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and
- 3. Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared a summary of the costs to comply with this AD and placed it in the AD Docket. You may get a copy of this summary by sending a request to us at the address listed under ADDRESSES. Include "AD Docket No. 2003–NE–30–AD" in your request.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

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

Adoption of the Amendment

■ Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

■ 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

2003–18–04—Wytwornia Sprzetu Komunikacyjnego: Amendment 39– 13295. Docket No. 2003–NE–30–AD.

Effective Date

(a) This airworthiness directive (AD) becomes effective September 23, 2003.

Affected ADs

(b) None.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Wytwornia Sprzetu Komunikacyjnego (WSK) PZL–10W turboshaft engines listed by serial number in Wytwornia Sprzetu Komunikacyjnego Obligatory Service Bulletin (OSB) No. E–19W096/2000, (original issue—2000). These PZL–10W turboshaft engines are installed on, but not limited to PZL–SOKOL helicopters.

Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD was prompted by reports of loose or improperly crimped engine-to-gearbox pin joint retaining nuts and damaged bolts found during overhaul. We are issuing this AD to prevent loss of nut torque and loosening of engine-to-gearbox pin joint retaining nuts, which could result in misalignment of the engine to the gearbox, causing loss of drive to the gearbox, power turbine overspeed, and uncontained power turbine disc failure.

Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed before further flight after the effective date of this AD, unless the actions have already been done.

Inspection

(f) Inspect the four engine-to-gearbox pin retaining joints for loose or improperly crimped retaining nuts and damaged bolts on the serial number engines listed in WSK Obligatory Service Bulletin (OSB) No. E—19W096/2000, (original issue—2000), and replace loosened or improperly crimped nuts, damaged bolts and washers. Use Chapter II of Accomplishment Instructions of OSB No. E—19W096/2000, (original issue—2000) to do these actions.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(g) The Manager, Engine Certification Office, has the authority to approve alternative methods of compliance for this AD if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Special Flight Permits

(h) Special flight permits are prohibited.

Material Incorporated by Reference

(i) You must use Wytwornia Sprzetu Komunikacyjnego Obligatory Service Bulletin No. E-19W096/2000, (original issue-2000) to perform the inspection required by this AD. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of this service bulletin in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. You can get a copy from Wytwornia Sprzetu Komunikacyjnego "PZL—Rzeszow" S. A., ul. Hetmanska 120, 35–078 Rzeszow, P.O. Box 340, Poland, telephone 011-48-17-85-46-100; fax 011-48-17-620-750. You may review copies at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

Related Information

(j) Polish General Inspectorate of Civil Aviation AD No. SP–0008–2001–B, dated October 2, 2001, also addresses the subject of this AD.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on August 28, 2003.

Jay J. Pardee,

Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

14 CFR Part 250

[Docket No. OST-96-1255]

RIN 2105-AC45

Oversales Signs

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary (OST),

(DOT).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the regulation on oversales by changing the reference to an outdated legal authority and other language because of several new statutory provisions. This action also makes certain other editorial changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 8, 2003.

ADDRESSES: You may obtain a copy of this notice from the DOT public docket through the Internet at *http://dms.dot.gov*, docket number OST–96–1255.

You may also review the public docket in person in the Docket office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket office is on the plaza level of the Department of Transportation. Additionally, you may obtain a copy of this document from the Federal Register Web site at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Kelly, Aviation Consumer Protection Division, Office of Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4107, Washington, DC 20590, telephone (202) 366–5952, e-mail tim.kelly@ost.dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 3, 1996, the Department of Transportation published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (61 FR 27818) that proposed to eliminate the Department's requirement (pursuant to 14 CFR part 250) that a consumer notice about airline oversales appear on signs at airports, city ticket offices, and travel agencies. The basis for the NPRM was that the information would continue to be available through other means. This NPRM also proposed certain updates to the Department's oversales rule to reflect the recodification of statutory provisions and the Department's acquisition of responsibility for this rule from the Civil Aeronautics Board.

The Department received two comments in response to the NPRM. Southwest Airlines supported the proposal to eliminate the oversales sign. Southwest also concurred in one particular element of the proposal which would require "ticketless" carriers (i.e., airlines that use electronic ticketing as opposed to conventional paper tickets) to continue to post the oversales sign if the carrier does not distribute the oversales notice in writing to every passenger as is required for passengers with paper tickets. The American Society of Travel Agents opposed the Department's proposal; it stated that signs are a more efficient method of communicating the oversales information than individual notices. ASTA asserted that the Department should keep the sign requirement and eliminate the requirement for individual ticket notices.

A major basis for the Department's proposal was the fact that the oversales rule requires that oversales information to assist consumers must appear both on signs and on a notice that is to accompany every ticket. Due to the significant growth of electronic ticketing in the period since this proposal was issued, the Department cannot rely to the same extent on advance distribution of the oversales ticket notice. Indeed, in 1997 (62 FR 19473) the Department issued a Statement of Compliance Policy in which it afforded additional flexibility to carriers in distributing ticket notices to electronically ticketed passengers.

Therefore, based on the above discussion, we have decided not to eliminate the requirement for an oversales airport sign at this time. Additionally, it is our decision that ASTA's proposal to eliminate ticket notices is beyond the scope of this proceeding. However, in this final rule, we will finalize the administrative updates of Part 250 that were proposed in the NPRM (e.g., statutory references) by amending certain terms to more accurately reflect current law.

Regulatory Analyses and Notices

This final rule is not considered a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 and, therefore, it was not reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget. This rule is not considered significant under the Department's regulatory policies and procedures. This rule only makes editorial changes, and updates reference to a legal authority and other language because of several statutory changes.

The Department also has determined that the economic impact of the rule is so minimal that no further analysis is necessary. This rule does not impose unfunded mandates or requirements that will have any impact on the quality of the human environment.

Executive Order 13132

The Department has analyzed this rule under the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 13132 ("Federalism") and has determined that the rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This action does not contain information collection requirements for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Department has evaluated the effects of this rule on small entities. I certify this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, because we are merely making editorial changes and updating references to a legal authority and other language because of several statutory changes.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 250

Air carriers, Consumer protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Department amends 14 CFR part 250 as follows:

PART 250—OVERSALES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 250 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 401, 411, 413, and

■ 2. In 14 CFR 250.1, the definition of "Carrier" is revised to read as follows:

§ 250.1 Definitions.

* * * * *

Carrier means: (1) A direct air carrier, except a helicopter operator, holding a

certificate issued by the Department of Transportation pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41102 (formerly sections 401(d)(1), 401(d)(2), 401(d)(5) and 401(d)(8) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958), or an exemption from 49 U.S.C. 41101 (formerly section 401(a) of the Act), authorizing the transportation of persons, or

(2) A foreign route air carrier holding a permit issued by the Department pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 41301 through 41306 (formerly section 402 of the Act), or an exemption from the appropriate provision of 49 U.S.C. 41301 through 41306, authorizing the scheduled foreign air transportation of persons.

■ 3. In § 250.2, the words "or overseas" are removed.

- 4. In § 250.2b(b), in the last sentence, the word "Board" is removed and the term "DOT" is added in its place.
- 5. In § 250.5(a), in the last sentence, the words "and overseas" are removed.
- 6. In § 250.9(b), in the subsection entitled Compensation for Denied Boarding, in the second sentence, the phrase "Civil Aeronautics Board" is removed and the phrase "Department of Transportation" is added in its place, and in the subsection entitled Amount of Denied Boarding Compensation, in the second paragraph, the phrase "the CAB" is removed and the term "DOT" is added in its place.

Issued this 19th day of August, 2003 at Washington DC.

Norman Y. Mineta,

Secretary of Transportation.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

17 CFR Part 4

RIN 3038-AB97

Additional Registration and Other Regulatory Relief for Commodity Pool Operators and Commodity Trading Advisors; Past Performance Issues; Correction

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Final rules; correction.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (Commission) published in the **Federal Register** of August 8, 2003, a document providing additional relief for certain persons excluded from the commodity pool operator (CPO) definition, providing