

(c) Federally Funded Research and Development Centers which appear on the Master Government List maintained by the National Science Foundation are eligible to enter into mobility agreements. An organization denied approval by an agency of its nonprofit status may request reconsideration by the Office of Personnel Management.

4. Section 334.104 is revised to read as follows:

§ 334.104 Length of assignment.

(a) An assignment may be made for up to 2 years and may be extended by the head of a Federal agency for up to 2 more years, given the concurrence of the other parties to the agreement.

(b) A Federal agency may not send or receive on assignment an employee who has served on mobility assignments for more than a total of 6 years during his or her career. The Office of Personnel Management may waive this provision upon the written request of the agency head.

(c) At the completion of an assignment, an employee must take a break equal in length to the time spent on that assignment before participating again in the mobility program.

5. Section 334.105 is revised to read as follows:

§ 334.105 Obligated service requirement.

(a) A Federal employee assigned under this subchapter must agree as a condition of accepting an assignment to serve with the Federal Government upon completion of the assignment for a period equal to the length of the assignment.

(b) If the employee fails to carry out this agreement, he or she must reimburse the Federal agency of its share of the costs of the assignment (exclusive of salary). The head of the Federal agency may waive this reimbursement for good and sufficient reason.

6. Section 334.106 is revised to read as follows:

§ 334.106 Requirement for written agreement.

(a) Before an assignment is made the Federal agency and the State, local, or Indian tribal government, institution of higher education, or other eligible organization and the assigned employee shall enter into a written agreement which records the obligations and responsibilities of the parties as specified in 5 U.S. Code 3373-3375.

(b) Agencies must maintain a copy of each assignment agreement form as well as any modification to the agreement.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 50

Draft Policy Statement on the Restructuring and Economic Deregulation of the Electric Utility Industry

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: On September 23, 1996 (61 FR 49711), the NRC published for public comment a draft policy statement regarding its expectations for, and intended approach to, its power reactor licensees as the electric utility industry moves from an environment of rate regulation toward greater competition. The comment period for this draft policy statement was originally scheduled to expire on December 9, 1996. In a letter dated November 6, 1996, the Nuclear Information and Resource Service requested that the NRC extend the comment period to allow sufficient time for the industry to air concerns and develop comments. In response to this request and NRC concerns that the public have ample opportunity to address the issues raised in the draft policy statement, the NRC has decided to extend the comment period 60 days.

DATES: The comment period has been extended and now expires on February 9, 1997. Comments submitted after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but assurance of consideration cannot be given except for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSEES: Submit written comments to Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, Washington, DC 20555. Written comments may also be delivered to 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, from 7:30 AM to 4:15 PM, Federal workdays. Copies of written comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street N.W. (Lower Level), Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Wood (301) 415-1255.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of December, 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
John C. Hoyle,
Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Chapter I

[Summary Notice No. PR-96-8]

Petition for Rulemaking; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for rulemaking received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for rulemaking (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions requesting the initiation of rulemaking procedures for the amendment of specified provisions of the Federal Aviation Regulations and of denials or withdrawals of certain petitions previously received. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received February 10, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rules Docket No. _____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: nprmcmnts@faa.dot.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Haynes, (202) 267-3939, or Marisa Mullen, (202) 267-9681, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (f) of § 11.27 of Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 4, 1996.

Donald P. Bryne,
Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Disposition of Petitions

Docket No.: 26158

Petitioner: Everett W. Morris

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121

Description of Rulechange Sought: To add a new section that would require that each large turbine-powered airplane be equipped with a takeoff warning system that meets the requirements of 14 CFR § 25.703.

Petitioner's Reason for the Request: The petitioner feels amending the operating rule can provide an earlier required compliance date, thus reducing the probability of future accidents caused by improper configuration of the airplane. *Denial;* November 15, 1996

Docket No.: 27371

Petitioner: Homeowners of Encino

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.119(d)

Description of Rulechange Sought: To limit helicopter operations below the minimum altitudes prescribed in § 91.119 (b) and (c) except for helicopters operated by any municipal, county, State, or Federal authority for emergency services, rescue operations, or police or fire protection.

Petitioner's Reason for the Request: The petitioner feels that the petition for reconsideration of a previous denial of petition for rulemaking was justified in that the FAA failed to make a reasonable determination of the facts and issues in the original petition for rulemaking. *Denial;* October 31, 1996

Docket No.: 27803

Petitioner: Air Transportation

Association of America

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121, 135, and 145

Description of Rulechange Sought: To establish regulations requiring quality/inspection systems for all aircraft parts distributors, suppliers, sellers, brokers, and surplus dealers.

Petitioner's Reason for the Request: The petitioner feels that it is imperative that every step possible be taken to ensure no opportunity is available to introduce an unapproved part into the parts distribution/supply system and there must be regulations which help deter and remove unethical organizations from the aircraft parts business. *Denial;* November 25, 1996.

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14 CFR Parts 91, 121, 127, and 135

[Docket No. 28577; Notice No. 96-4]

RIN 2120-AG11

Special Flight Rules in the Vicinity of the Rocky Mountain National Park

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; supplemental notice of availability and opportunity for comment.

SUMMARY: A notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) relating to special flight rules in the vicinity of the Rocky Mountain National Park was published on May 15, 1996. This document announces the availability for public comment of recently submitted information from the Department of Interior (DOI). This submission contains information concerning the commercial air tour overflight operations in a sample of National Parks.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 23, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this NPRM should be mailed, in triplicate to Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket (AGC-200), Docket No. 28577, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Comments may also be sent electronically to the Rules Docket by using the following Internet address: nprmcmts@mail.hq.faa.gov. Comments must be marked Docket No. 28577. Comments may be examined in the Rules Docket Room 915G on weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except on Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neil Saunders, Airspace and Rules Division, ATA-400, Airspace Management Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: 202-267-8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Notice No. 96-4 was placed on immediate display at the Federal Register on May 10, 1996, and published on May 15, 1996 (61 FR 24852). A correction document was published on July 23, 1996 (61 FR 38119) extending the comment period to August 19, 1996. Notice No. 96-4 proposed several methods of preserving the natural park experience of Rocky Mountain National Park (RMNP) by restricting aircraft-based sightseeing flights. The NPRM indicated that the FAA would select a viable alternative based on comments received and other

pertinent information and identify a proposed alternative for final rulemaking. The comment period closed on August 19, 1996.

Following the closing date of the comment period, the FAA prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) that evaluates various alternatives for addressing potential aviation noise issues at RMNP. The FAA found that it would be in the public interest to reopen the comment period to allow interested persons the opportunity to comment on the Draft EA.

Consequently, on November 21, 1996, the FAA announced the availability of the Draft EA and reopened the comment period through December 23, 1996 (61 FR 5909). In addition, certain RMNP sound level data submitted by DOI also was made available for comment.

Availability of Information

The DOI has recently submitted information to the Department of Transportation regarding the effects of commercial air tour overflight operations in a sample of National Parks. The FAA finds that it is in the public interest to provide the opportunity to comment on this information. Accordingly, the DOI submission is being made available in the Docket for public comment.

On April 22, 1996, the President of the United States established priorities concerning the overflights of National Parks by aircraft. Addressing the potential impacts of overflights of Rocky Mountain National Park is one of these priorities. In view of the brevity of this material and the importance of completing this rulemaking in a timely manner, 'the FAA finds that good cause exists for providing less than 30 days comment on this material.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 6, 1996.

Harold W. Becker,

Acting Program Director for Air Traffic,
Airspace Management.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

17 CFR Chapter II

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Regulatory Flexibility Agenda; Correction

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission.