of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For engines that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent fatigue cracking and subsequent uncontained failure of a first stage LPT seal plate, accomplish the following:

- (a) Prior to accumulating 3,700 cycles since new (CSN) on LPT seal plates, P/Ns 3073552–2 and 3074053–1, remove from service these first LPT seal plates, and replace with serviceable parts, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of AlliedSignal Inc. Service Bulletin (SB) No. TFE731–72–3573, dated August 15, 1995.
- (b) This action establishes a new, reduced cyclic life limit of 3,700 CSN for first stage LPT seal plates, P/N 3073552–2 and P/N 3074053–1.
- (c) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this AD, no alternative replacement times may be approved for LPT seal plates, P/N 3073552–2 and 3074053–1.
- (d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office. The request should be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office.

- (e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.
- (f) The actions required by this AD shall be done in accordance with the following AlliedSignal Inc. SB:

Document No.	Pages	Date	
TFE731-72- 3573.	1–6	August 15, 1995	

Total Pages: 6.

This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from AlliedSignal Aerospace, Attn: Data Distribution, M/S 64–3/2101–201, P.O. Box 29003, Phoenix, AZ 85038–9003; telephone (602) 365–2493, fax (602) 365–5577. Copies

may be inspected at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief 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.

(g) This amendment becomes effective on May 5, 1997.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on February 26, 1997.

James C. Jones,

Acting Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 97–5512 Filed 3–5–97; 8:45 am]

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14 CFR Part 95

[Docket No. 28833; Amdt. No. 401]

IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

summary: This amendment adopts miscellaneous amendments to the required IFR (instrument flight rules) altitudes and changeover points for certain Federal airways, jet routes, or direct routes for which a minimum or maximum en route authorized IFR altitude is prescribed. This regulatory action is needed because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace under instrument conditions in the affected areas.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, March 27,

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Paul J. Best, Flight Procedures Standards Branch (AFS-420), Technical Programs Division, Flight Standards Service Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8277.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to part 95 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 95) amends, suspends, or revokes IFR altitudes governing the operation of all aircraft in flight over a specified route or any portion of that route, as well as the changeover points (COPs) for Federal airways, jet routes, or direct routes as prescribed in part 95.

The Rule

The specified IFR altitudes, when used in conjunction with the prescribed changeover points for those routes, ensure navigation aid coverage that is adequate for safe flight operations and free of frequency interference. The

reasons and circumstances that create the need for this amendment involve matters of flight safety and operational efficiency in the National Airspace System, are related to published aeronautical charts that are essential to the user, and provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. In addition, those various reasons or circumstances require making this amendment effective before the next scheduled charting and publication date of the flight information to assure its timely availability to the user. The effective date of this amendment reflects those considerations. In view of the close and immediate relationship between these regulatory changes and safety in air commerce, I find that notice and public procedure before adopting this amendment are impracticable and contrary to the public interest and that good cause exists for making the amendment effective in less than 30 days. The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current.

It, therefore—(1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. For the same reason, the FAA certifies that his amendment will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 95

Airspace, Navigation (air).

Issued in Washington, D.C. on February 21, 1997.

Thomas C. Accardi,

Director, Flight Standards Service.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, part 95 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 95) is amended as follows effective at 0901 UTC, March 27, 1997.

1. The authority citation for part 95 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40106, 40113, 40114, 40120, 44502, 44514, 44719, 44721.

2. Part 95 is amended to read as follows:

REVISIONS TO MINIMUM ENROUTE IFR ALTITUDES AND CHANGEOVER POINTS [Amendment 401 effective date, March 27, 1997]

From		То		MEA
		1 Direct Routes—U.S. Airway 37 is Amended to Read in Part		
Elephant, AK NDB*5100–MOCA		Sparl, AK FIX		*6000
§ 95.1001	Direct R	outes—U.S. is Amended to Delete		
Dallas/Fort Worth, TX Vortax*2600–MOCA VIA DFW VORTAC 275& SPS VORTAC 140 *3000–MOCA		Duncan, OK VOR/DME		*5000
§ 95.6050 VOR	Federal	Airway 50 is Amended To Read in Part		
Pawnee City, NE VORTAC		St. Joseph, MO VORTAC		4000
§ 95.6069 VOR	Federa	I Airway 69 is amended to read in Part		
Pine Bluff, AR VOR/DME		Billi, AR FIX*Hille, AR FIX		*2000 **6000
Hille, AR FIX*3000–MOCA		Walnut Ridge, AR VORTAC		*4000
§ 95.6153 VOR I	Federal	Airway 153 is Amended to Read in Part		
Lake Henry, PA VORTAC*4200–MOCA		Grows, NY FIX		*5000
Grows, NY FIX*3700–MOCA		Georgetown, NY VORTAC		*6000
§ 95.6210 VOR I	Federal	Airway 210 is Amended to Read in Part		
Rolls, OK FIX*4400–MRA **3500–MOCA		*Waxey, OK FIX		**8400
§ 95.6223 VOR I	Federal	Airway 223 is Amended to Read in Part		
Haney, VA FIX*1000–MRA		*Fluky, VA FIX		2600
§ 95.6375 VOR	Federal	Airway 375 is amended to Read in Part		
Gordonsville, VA VORTAC*7000–MRA				2800
Haney, VA FIX*1000–MRA		Fluky, VA FIX		2600
§ 95.6488 VOR I	Federal	Alrway 488 is Amended to Read in Part		
Akelt, AK FIX*4000–MOCA		Almot, AK FIX		*10000
§ 95.6491 VOR	Federal	Airway 491 is amended to Read in Part		
Rapid City, SD VORTAC*5000–MOCA		Dickinson, ND VORTAC		*8000
§ 95.6507 VOR I	Federal	Airway 507 is Amended to Read in Part		
Waxey, OK FIX*3500–MOCA		Rolls, OK FIX		*8400
From		То	MEA	MAA
§ 95.7532 Jet Ro	ute No.	532 is Amended to Delete		
Humboldt, MN VORTAC	U.S.	Candian Border	18000	45000

From	To	Changeover points		
	То	Distance	From	
Lubbock, TX VORTAC	Big Spring, TX VORTAC	71	Lubbock	
V-81 is Amended to Delete				
Lubbock, TX VORTAC	Midland, TX VORTAC		Lubbock	

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 284

[Docket Nos. RM91-11-006 and RM87-34-072; Order No. 636-C]

Pipeline Service Obligations and Revisions to Regulations Governing Self-Implementing Transportation Under Part 284 and Regulation of Natural Gas Pipelines After Partial Wellhead Decontrol

Issued February 27, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission. Energy.

ACTION: Final rule; order on remand.

SUMMARY: In *United Distribution Cos.* v. *FERC*, 88 F.3d 1105 (D.C. Cir. 1996), petitions for cert. filed, 65 U.S.L.W. 3531–32 (U.S. Jan. 27, 1997) (No. 96–1186, et al.) (*UDC*), the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit affirmed the Commission's restructuring of the natural gas industry in the Commission's Order No. 636. (Final rule published at 57 FR 13267, April 16, 1992). In UDC, the Court remanded six issues to the Commission for further explanation or consideration. This order complies with the Court's remand.

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Note: Appendix A, containing Tables 1 and 2, and Appendix B, containing Tables 1 through 5 are not being published in the Federal Register but are available from the Commission's Public Reference Room.

Before Commissioners: Elizabeth Anne Moler, Chair; Vicky A. Bailey, James J. Hoecker, William L. Massey, and Donald F. Santa Ir

Pipeline Service Obligations and Revisions to Regulations to Regulations Governing Self-Implementing Transportation Under Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations and Regulation of Natural Gas Pipelines After Partial Wellhead Decontrol (Docket Nos. RM91–11–006 and RM 87–34–072; Order No. 636–C)

Order on Remand

Issued February 27, 1997.

In *United Distribution Companies* v. *FERC* (*UDC*),¹ the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit upheld the Commission's Order No. 636 ² "in its broad contours and in most of its specifics." ³ In so doing, the Court affirmed the Commission's restructuring of the natural gas industry, but remanded six issues to the Commission for further explanation or consideration. This order complies with the Court's remand.

In light of the Court's remand, the Commission has reexamined Order No. 636, and of necessity, the changes in the natural gas industry that have occurred since restructuring. Based on reconsideration of the remanded issues, the Commission reaffirms certain of its previous rulings and reverses others.

I. Introduction

In Order No. 636 the Commission required interstate pipelines to restructure their services in order to improve the competitive structure of the natural gas industry. The regulatory changes were designed "to ensure that all shippers have meaningful access to the pipeline transportation grid so that willing buyers and sellers can meet in

¹ *United Distrib. Cos.* v. *FERC*, 88 F.3d 1105 (D.C. Cir. 1996), *petitions for cert. filed*, 65 U.S.L.W. 3531–32 (U.S. Jan. 27, 1997) (No. 96–1186, *et al.*) (*UDC*).

²Pipeline Service Obligations and Revisions to Regulations Governing Self-Implementing Transportation; and Regulation of Natural Gas Pipelines After Partial Wellhead Decontrol, [Regs. Preambles Jan. 1991–June 1996] FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 30,939 (1992), order on reh'g, Order No. 636–A, [Regs. Preambles Jan. 1991–June 1992] FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 30,950 (1992), order on reh'g, Order No. 636–B, 61 FERC ¶ 61,272 (1992), reh'g denied, 62 FERC ¶ 61,007 (1993).

³ UDC, 88 F.3d at 1191.