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This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (c), (e), and (g) of § 11.27 of Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

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Donald P. Byrne,

Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Petitions For Exemption

Docket No.: 28926.

Petitioner: United Parcels Service.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.445(d).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit the petitioner to establish a recurrent training program in lieu of requiring pilots to meet the qualification requirements applicable to operations between terminals over a route or area that requires a special type of navigation.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 28877.

Petitioner: Itzhak Jacoby.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.109(a) and (b)(3).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to conduct certain flight instruction and simulated instrument flights to meet recent instrument experience requirements in certain Beechcraft airplanes equipped with a functioning throwover control wheel in place of functioning dual controls.

Grant, June 19, 1997, Exemption No. 6649.

Docket No.: 18881.

Petitioner: Experimental Aircraft Association.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.151(a)(1).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the International Aerobatic Club (IAC) and IAC member participating in IAC-sponsored competitions to begin a daytime flight in an airplane under visual meteorological conditions with enough fuel to fly for at least 20 minutes after the first point of intended landing.

Grant, June 19, 1997, Exemption No. 5745B.

Docket No.: 28920.

Petitioner: Colgan Air, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.359(g).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to

operate certain Beechcraft 1900 C aircraft with oxygen masks that are not equipped with an installed microphone. Grant, June 19, 1997, Exemption No. 6596B.

Docket No.: 28590.

Petitioner: Human Flight, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 105.43(a).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit Human Flight employees, representatives, and volunteer test jumpers under the direction and control of Human Flight to make tandem parachute jumps while wearing a dual-harness, dual-parachute pack having at least one main parachute and one approved auxiliary parachute packed. This exemption also permits (1) a pilot in command of an aircraft to allow such persons to make these parachute jumps, and (2) Mr. Butch William Holman, a 13-year-old minor diagnosed with terminal cystic fibrosis, to fulfill his ultimate wish to skydive.

Grant, June 25, 1997, Exemption No. 6650.

Docket No.: 27205.

Petitioner: Federal Express Corporation.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit part 135 certificate holders that lease aircraft from FedEx to operate those aircraft under part 135 without TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponders installed.

Grant, June 30, 1997, Exemption No. 5711D.

Docket No.: 28244.

Petitioner: Puget Sound Seaplanes.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.203(a)(1).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to conduct operations at an altitude below 500 feet over water outside controlled airspace.

Grant, June 30, 1997, Exemption No. 6157A.

Docket No.: 28918.

Petitioner: Cherry-Air, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to operate certain aircraft without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed.

Grant, June 30, 1997, Exemption No. 6654.

Docket No.: 28933.

Petitioner: Omniflight Helicopters, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To permit the petitioner to

operate without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed on its aircraft operating under the provisions of part 135.

Grant, June 30, 1997, Exemption No. 6653.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

[Notice 97-6]

Safety Advisory: Certified IM 101 and IM 102 Steel Portable Tanks With Bottom Outlets Without Internal Discharge Valves or Shear Sections

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT.

ACTION: Safety advisory notice.

SUMMARY: This is to notify owners and users of DOT specification IM 101 and IM 102 portable tanks with filling or discharge connections below the normal liquid level that these tanks may be used for shipping hazardous materials only if they have internal discharge valves and shear sections. Internal discharge valves and shear sections are safety devices required on bottom-outlet IM tanks in hazardous material service to prevent significant release of lading when damage is sustained at the filling/discharge connection. Without those safety features, damage to a bottom outlet is far more likely to result in loss of a tank's entire lading.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas S. Smith, telephone, (202) 366-4700, Office of Hazardous Materials Enforcement, or Charles Hochman, telephone (202) 366-4545, Office of Hazardous Materials Technology, Research and Special Programs Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: During compliance inspections in Southern Louisiana, inspectors from the RSPA's Office of Hazardous Materials Enforcement have observed portable tanks marked and certified as meeting DOT specifications IM 101 and IM 102 that had bottom outlets, but no internal discharge valves or shear sections. Until January 1, 1997, the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR, 49 CFR Parts 171-180) did not specifically require internal discharge valves or shear sections for IM 101 or IM 102 portable tanks with bottom outlets. See RSPA's final rule under Docket No.

HM-181H, 61 FR 50628 (September 26, 1996), amending 49 CFR 178.270-12(a) effective January 1, 1997, and the discussion in the preamble to the final rule, 61 FR 50621, and the notice of proposed rulemaking, 61 FR 33223 (June 26, 1996).

The HMR provide that a hazardous material may *not* be loaded in an IM portable tank with filling or discharge connections located below the normal liquid level of the tank unless:

(1) Each filling or discharge connection located below the normal liquid level of the tank has at least two serially-mounted closures consisting of an internal discharge valve and a bolted blank flange or other suitable, liquid-tight closure on each filling or discharge connection; or

(2) When this paragraph [173.32c(g)(2)] is specified for a hazardous material through [a special provision in] § 171.102(c)(7) of [the HMR], each filling or discharge connection located below the normal liquid level of the tank, or compartment thereof, has three serially-mounted closures consisting of an internal discharge valve remote from the valve itself, an external valve, and a bolted blank flange or other suitable liquid-tight closure on the outlet side of the external valve.

49 CFR 173.32c(g).

Accordingly, an IM 101 or IM 102 portable tank with a bottom outlet may *not* be filled with any hazardous material if it does not have an internal discharge valve and shear section. Because the primary purpose of certifying any packaging to a DOT specification or performance standard is to authorize that packaging to be used for transporting a hazardous material, RSPA believes it is appropriate to fully inform all owners and users of IM portable tanks that certain of these tanks exist that may not be filled with hazardous materials.

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Alan I. Roberts,

Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-470 (Sub-No. 1X)]

Southeast Kansas Railroad Company—Abandonment Exemption— in Montgomery, Labette and Cherokee Counties, KS

On June 24, 1997, Southeast Kansas Railroad Company (SEK) filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49

U.S.C. 10903 to abandon a line of railroad extending from milepost 421.0 near Coffeyville, KS, to milepost 387.0 near Faulkner, KS, a distance of 34 miles in Montgomery, Labette and Cherokee Counties, KS. The line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Codes 67336, 67332, 67342, and 67337.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in SEK's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it. The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in Oregon Short Line R. Co.—Abandonment—Goshen, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by October 10, 1997.

Any offer of financial assistance under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each offer of financial assistance must be accompanied by a \$900 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than August 4, 1997. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$150 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-470 (Sub-No. 1X) and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Karl Morell, Ball Janik LLP, 1455 F Street, N.W., Suite 225, Washington, DC 20005.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 565-1592 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 565-1545. [TDD for the hearing impaired is available at (202) 0565-1695.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary), prepared by SEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation.

Other interested persons may contact SEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

Decided: July 9, 1997.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission to OMB for Review; Comment Request

June 30, 1997.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0257.

Form Number: IRS Forms 8109, 8109-B, and 8109-C.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Federal Tax Deposit Coupon (8109 and 8109-B); and FTD Address Change (8109-C)

Description: Federal Tax Deposit Coupons are used to deposit certain types of taxes at authorized depositaries. Coupons are sent to the IRS Centers for crediting to taxpayers' accounts. Data is used by the IRS to make the credit and to verify tax deposits claimed on the returns. The FTD Address Change is used to change the address on the FTD coupons. All taxpayers required to make deposits are affected.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9,800,700.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent:

Form 8109—2 minutes.

Form 8109-B—3 minutes.

Form 8109-C—1 minute.