

3507(d)). Comments on the collections of information should be sent to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (1550), Washington, DC 20503, with copies to the Regulations and Legislation Division, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

The collection of information requirements in this proposed rule are found in 12 CFR 555.300 and 555.310. OTS requires this information for the proper supervision of electronic operations by savings associations. The likely respondents/recordkeepers are savings associations.

Estimated average annual burden hours per respondent: 2 hours.

Estimated number of respondents: 100 respondents.

Estimated total annual reporting burden: 200 hours.

Start up costs to respondents: None.

VI. Regulatory Flexibility Act Analysis

Pursuant to section 605(b) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, OTS certifies that this proposed rule will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. In conjunction with the NPR, this Supplemental NPR should make it easier for savings associations, including small institutions, to engage in electronic operations. While it imposes a notice requirement on savings associations using one particular type of electronic means or facility (i.e., a transactional web site) and allows Regional Office to impose case-by-case restrictions for supervisory or compliance reasons, these requirements are the minimum necessary for proper supervision, and should not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small institutions.

VII. Unfunded Mandates Act of 1995

Section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-4 (Unfunded Mandates Act), requires that an agency prepare a budgetary impact statement before promulgating a rule that includes a Federal mandate that may result in expenditure by state, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year. If a budgetary impact statement is required, section 205 of the Unfunded Mandates Act also requires an agency to identify and consider a reasonable number of regulatory alternatives before promulgating a rule. OTS has determined that the proposed rule will not result in expenditures by state, local, or tribal governments or by the private sector of \$100 million or

more. Accordingly, this rulemaking is not subject to section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Act.

List of Subjects 12 CFR Part 555

Accounting, Consumer protection, Credit, Electronic funds transfers, Investments, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations.

Accordingly, the Office of Thrift Supervision proposes to amend chapter V, title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations by adding part 555 as set forth below:

PART 555—ELECTRONIC OPERATIONS

Sec.

555.100 What does this part do?

Subpart A—Authority of Federal Savings Associations To Conduct Electronic Operations [Reserved]

Subpart B—Requirements Applicable to All Savings Associations

555.300 Must I inform OTS before I use electronic means or facilities?

555.310 How do I notify OTS?

Authority: 12 U.S.C. 1462a, 1463, 1464.

§ 555.100 What does this part do?

Subpart A of this part describes how a Federal savings association may provide products and services through electronic means and facilities. Subpart B of this part contains requirements applicable to all savings associations.

Subpart A—Authority of Federal Savings Associations to Conduct Electronic Operations [Reserved]

Subpart B—Requirements Applicable to All Savings Associations

§ 555.300 Must I inform OTS before I use electronic means or facilities?

(a) *General.* A savings association ("you") are not required to inform OTS before you use electronic means or facilities, except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section. OTS encourages you to consult with your Regional Office before you engage in activities using electronic means or facilities in circumstances not covered by paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section.

(b) *Activities requiring advance notice.* You must file a written notice as described in § 555.310 before you establish a transactional web site. A transactional web site is an Internet site that enables users to conduct financial transactions such as accessing an account, obtaining an account balance, transferring funds, processing bill payments, opening an account, applying

for or obtaining a loan, or purchasing other products or services.

(c) *Other procedures.* If the OTS Regional Office has informed you of any supervisory or compliance concerns that may affect your use of electronic means or facilities, you must follow any procedures it has imposed in writing.

§ 555.310 How do I notify OTS?

(a) *Notice requirement.* You must file a written notice with the appropriate Regional Office at least 30 days before you establish a transactional web site. The notice must do three things:

(1) Describe the transactional web site.

(2) Indicate the date the transactional web site will become operational.

(3) List a contact familiar with the deployment, operation, and security of the transactional web site.

(b) *Transition provision.* If you established a transactional web site after the date of your last regular onsite OTS safety and soundness examination but before [Effective date of final rule], you must file a notice describing your activity by [30 days after effective date of final rule].

Dated: August 7, 1998.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Ellen Seidman,
Director.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

13 CFR Part 120

Business Loan Program

AGENCY: Small Business Administration (SBA).

ACTION: Notice of intent to reopen comment period for 7(a) lenders.

SUMMARY: On May 5, 1998, in 63 FR 24753, SBA published a proposed rule implementing Pub. L. 104-208 and Pub. L. 105-135 with respect to SBA financing in the 504 program, and clarifying existing regulations. The comment period ended on July 6, 1998. This notice reopens the comment period for 30 days to allow 7(a) lenders to comment on the proposed rule's change to 13 CFR § 120.111 on Eligible Passive Companies. The SBA is not reopening or extending the comment period of the proposed rule for other issues or parties. **DATES:** This notice reopens the comment period as of August 13, 1998. Comments on the proposed regulation published on May 5, 1998, in 63 FR 24753, must be submitted on or before September 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed regulation published on May 5, 1998, in 63 FR 24753, should be mailed to Jane Palsgrove Butler, Acting Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance, Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20416.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael J. Dowd, 202-205-6660.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 5, 1998, in 63 FR 24753, SBA published a proposed rule implementing Pub. L. 104-208 and Pub. L. 105-135 with respect to SBA financing in the 504 program, and clarifying existing regulations. The comment period ended on July 6, 1998.

The preamble to the proposed rule indicated that the rule applied primarily to the 504 program. However, the proposed rule also amended 13 CFR § 120.111 to allow an Eligible Passive Company to lease property to multiple unrelated operating companies. This section applies not only to participants in the 504 program, but also to participants in the 7(a) program.

SBA now requests lenders participating in the 7(a) program to comment on the proposed rule's change to 13 CFR § 120.111. For that reason, SBA is reopening the comment period for 30 days to accommodate the comments of 7(a) lenders. The SBA is not reopening or extending the comment period of the proposed rule for other issues or parties not identified above. It is unnecessary to resubmit comments previously submitted regarding the proposed rule.

Dated: August 6, 1998.

Jane Palsgrove Butler,

Associate Administrator for Financial Assistance (A).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-NM-214-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Model BAe 146-100A, -200A, and -300A Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness

directive (AD) that is applicable to certain British Aerospace Model BAe 146-100A, -200A, and -300A series airplanes. This proposal would require either a one-time non-destructive test (NDT) or a visual inspection for cracking of the fuselage skin in the vicinity of frame 29 between stringers 12 and 13, and repair, if necessary. This proposal is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a foreign civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to detect and correct fatigue cracking of the fuselage skin in the specified area, which could result in reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

DATES: Comments must be received by September 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98-NM-214-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from AI(R) American Support, Inc., 13850 Mclearen Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Norman B. Martenson, Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; fax (425) 227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications shall identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments

submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 98-NM-214-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98-NM-214-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

Discussion

The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), which is the airworthiness authority for the United Kingdom, notified the FAA that an unsafe condition may exist on certain British Aerospace Model BAe 146-100A, -200A, and -300A series airplanes. The CAA advises that it has received reports that, during routine inspections, fatigue cracking was found in the vicinity of frame 29 between stringers 12 and 13 of the fuselage skin. The exact cause of the cracking in this area has not yet been determined. Such fatigue cracking, if not corrected, could result in reduced structural integrity of the airplane.

Explanation of Relevant Service Information

The manufacturer has issued British Aerospace Service Bulletin SB.53-144, dated April 27, 1998, which describes procedures for performing either a one-time non-destructive test (NDT) or a visual inspection for cracking of the fuselage skin in the vicinity of frame 29 between stringers 12 and 13, and repair, if necessary. The CAA classified this service bulletin as mandatory and issued British airworthiness directive 005-04-98 in order to assure the continued airworthiness of these airplanes in the United Kingdom.

FAA's Conclusions

This airplane model is manufactured in the United Kingdom and is type certificated for operation in the United States under the provisions of section 21.29 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.29) and the applicable bilateral airworthiness