

airplane to accomplish the proposed inspection, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$15,720, or \$120 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the proposed requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

Regulatory Impact

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects 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. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed 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) if promulgated, 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. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Fokker Services B.V.: Docket 98–NM–276–AD.

Applicability: Model F.28 Mark 0070 and 0100 series airplanes, as listed in Fokker Service Bulletin SBF100–32–113, dated May 28, 1998; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes 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 heavy vibration and possible damage to the components of the main landing gear (MLG), and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane during takeoff or landing, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 45 days after the effective date of this AD, perform a one-time visual inspection to detect discrepancies of the components of the torque link apex joint and shimmy damper attachments of the MLG, in accordance with Fokker Service Bulletin SBF100–32–113, dated May 28, 1998. If any discrepancy is detected, prior to further flight, repair or replace any discrepant component with a new or serviceable component, in accordance with the service bulletin.

Note 2: In paragraph 2.F.(10) of the Accomplishment Instructions of Fokker Service Bulletin SBF100–32–113, dated May 28, 1998, the parenthetical phrase that recommends the size of torque wrench to use, should read “* * * (0 to 75 lbf ft),” rather than “* * * (0 to 75 lbf in).”

(b) Submit a report of the inspection findings (positive or negative) to Fokker Services B.V., Technical Services, Attn.: Manager Airline Support, P.O. Box 75047, 1117 ZN Schiphol-Oost, the Netherlands; Fax No. 3120605200; at the time specified in paragraph (b)(1) or (b)(2) of this AD, as applicable. Information collection requirements contained in this regulation have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and have been assigned OMB Control Number 2120–0056.

(1) For airplanes on which the inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD is accomplished after the effective date of this AD: Submit a report within 10 days after accomplishing the inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD.

(2) For airplanes on which the inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD has been

accomplished prior to the effective date of this AD: Submit a report within 30 days after the effective date of this AD.

(c) As of the effective date of this AD, no person shall install on any airplane a Menasco MLG having part number (P/N) 41050–5, –6, –7, or –8; or P/N 41060–1 or –2; unless it has been inspected in accordance with paragraph (a) of this AD.

(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, International Branch, ANM–116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116.

Note 3: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM–116.

(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 airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Note 4: The subject of this AD is addressed in Dutch airworthiness directive BLA 1998–058(A), dated May 29, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 5, 1998.

Vi L. Lipski,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Parts 161, 250, and 284

[Docket No. RM98–10–000]

Regulation of Short-term Natural Gas Transportation Services; Notice of Staff Conference on Pipeline Capacity Auctions

November 6, 1998.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Energy.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking, notice of staff conference on pipeline capacity auctions.

SUMMARY: The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is holding a conference to discuss pipeline capacity auctions as contemplated in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR), issued on July 29, 1998. 63 FR 42982 (Aug. 11, 1998). The scope of the conference includes all issues raised by

the auction proposed in the NOPR and will consist of panel discussions and presentations.

DATES: December 8, 1998, 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Zerby, Office of Pipeline Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, 202-208-1181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission also provides all interested persons an opportunity to inspect or copy the contents of this document during normal business hours in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS) provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission. CIPS can be accessed via Internet through FERC's Homepage (<http://www.ferc.fed.us>) using the CIPS Link or the Energy Information Online icon. The full text of this document will be available on CIPS in ASCII and WordPerfect 6.1 format. CIPS is also available through the Commission's electronic bulletin board service at no charge to the user and may be accessed using a personal computer with a modem by dialing 202-208-1397, if dialing locally, or 1-800-856-3920, if dialing long distance. To access CIPS, set your communications software to 19200, 14400, 12000, 9600, 7200, 4800, 2400, or 1200 bps, full duplex, no parity, 8 data bits and 1 stop bit. User assistance is available at 202-208-2474 or by E-mail to cipsmaster@ferc.fed.us.

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Finally, the complete text on diskette in WordPerfect format may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, RVJ International, Inc. RVJ International, Inc. is located in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

Regulation of Short-Term Natural Gas Transportation Services

Take notice that on December 8, 1998, the staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will hold a conference to discuss pipeline capacity auctions as contemplated in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR), issued on July 29, 1998.¹ The conference will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, in the Commission Meeting Room. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate. The purpose of this conference is to enable the industry to discuss with staff, as well as with each other, issues relating to auctions as proposed in the NOPR.

The scope of the conference includes all issues raised by the auction proposed in the NOPR. These would include: how an auction might affect pipeline cost recovery, including issues of rate design, reserve prices, and access charges; how pre-arranged capacity release transactions could be accommodated within an auction; how a capacity auction could coordinate with gas purchasing and risk management practices as well as with the acquisition and scheduling of capacity on interconnecting pipelines and local distribution companies; how auctions affect transaction costs; and how to determine the extent of available capacity as well as the types of capacity that should be included in the auction. The conference is intended to stimulate comment and discussion between staff and the industry on all aspects of the auction proposal in the NOPR, but any staff comments will not necessarily reflect the views of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or any Commissioner.

The conference will consist of roundtable discussions and presentations. Parties interested in making presentations and/or participating in the discussions should indicate their interest by November 20, 1998, by a letter addressed to the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, and should refer to Docket No. RM98-10-000. Upon receipt of these requests, a later notice will be issued providing further details about how the conference is to be organized.

An overhead projector will be made available at the conference. If

¹ Regulation of Short-Term Natural Gas Transportation Services, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 63 FR 42982 (Aug. 11, 1998), IV FERC Stats. & Regs. Proposed Regulations ¶ 32,533 (July 29, 1998).

participants require additional audiovisual services, the need to provide notice of their request in their letter to the Secretary to ensure that it can be accommodated.

The Capitol Connection may broadcast this conference in the Washington, D.C. area if there is sufficient interest. For those outside the Washington, D.C. area, the Capitol Connection may broadcast the conference live via satellite for a fee if there is sufficient interest to justify the cost. To indicate interest in either the local or national broadcast, please call Shirley Aljarani or Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703-993-3100) as soon as possible, or e-mail to capcon@gmu.edu.

In addition, National Narrowcast Network's Hearing-On-The-line service covers all FERC meetings live by telephone so that interested persons can listen at their desks, from their homes, or from any phone, without special equipment. Billing is based on time on-line. Call 202-966-2211 for further details.

Questions about the conference should be directed to: Elizabeth Zerby, Office of Pipeline Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20426, 202-208-1181.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[CGD01-98-125]

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Special Local Regulations: Greenwood Lake Powerboat Classic, Greenwood Lake, New Jersey

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to establish permanent special local regulations for the annual Greenwood Lake Powerboat Classic. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during the event. This action is intended to restrict vessel traffic in the southern end of Greenwood Lake, New Jersey.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 12, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to the Waterways Oversight Branch