Thus, it is clear that the bylaw does not constitute a bill of attainder.

In addition, the attorneys raised questions concerning the applicability of the bylaw to persons who consented to cease and desist orders. The provision could affect persons who entered into consent cease and desist orders. The fact that the bylaw's restriction on board membership may be an additional and possibly unforeseen consequence of a cease and desist order does not make the provision improper.

One attorney noted that the bylaw would apparently debar a person even where the cease and desist order had been vacated by the agency that issued it. Generally, even if an agency vacates or lifts a cease and desist order before the ten-year period is over, the bylaw provision would still apply. The public perception that the person lacks the requisite trustworthiness to be on an institution's board would still exist because of the violation that was the basis of the order. However, if an agency vacates an order because it finds that it was improperly entered, that acknowledgement should be sufficient to prevent any harm to an institution and, therefore, the cease and desist order should be disregarded.

Finally, one of the attorneys raised questions concerning how a savings association will be able to determine whether a cease and desist order was actually issued for conduct involving dishonesty or breach of trust when the order itself does not indicate the reasons for its issuance. When both the notice of charges and the order are silent on the issue, a savings association should not assume that the order was issued for conduct involving dishonesty or breach of trust.

# III. Regulatory Flexibility Act

Pursuant to section 605(b) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, OTS certifies that this rule will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The rule reduces regulatory burden on federal savings associations, including small federal savings associations, by permitting them to adopt certain bylaws without providing prior notice to OTS. The rule does not require any savings association to modify its bylaws and all federal savings associations currently can request permission to adopt such bylaws, if they choose to do so. Accordingly, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

# IV. Executive Order 12286

The Director of OTS has determined that this regulation does not constitute

a "significant regulatory action" for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

### V. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

OTS has determined that this rule will not result in expenditures by state, local and tribal governments, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year. Therefore, OTS has not prepared a budgetary impact statement or specifically addressed the regulatory alternatives considered. The rule simply reduces regulatory burden on federal savings associations by permitting them to adopt certain bylaws without having to first request permission from OTS.

# List of Subjects

# 12 CFR Part 544

Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations.

#### 12 CFR Part 552

Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Savings associations, Securities.

Accordingly, the Office of Thrift Supervision amends title 12, Chapter V, of the Code of Federal Regulations as set forth below:

# PART 544—CHARTER AND BYLAWS

1. The authority citation for part 544 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 12 U.S.C. 1462, 1462a, 1463, 1464, 1467a, 2901 *et seq.* 

2. Section 544.5 is amended by revising paragraph (c)(1)(iii) to read as follows:

# § 544.5 Federal mutual savings association bylaws.

(c) \* \* \*

(1) \* \* \*

(iii) For purposes of this paragraph (c), bylaw provisions that adopt the language of the model or optional bylaws in OTS's Application Processing Handbook, if adopted without change, and filed with OTS within 30 days after adoption, are effective upon adoption.

# PART 552—INCORPORATION, ORGANIZATION, AND CONVERSION OF FEDERAL STOCK ASSOCIATIONS

3. The authority citation for part 552 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 12 U.S.C. 1462, 1462a, 1463, 1464, 1467a.

4. Section 552.5 is amended by revising paragraph (b)(1)(iii) to read as follows:

#### § 552.5 Bylaws.

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(b) \* \* \* (1) \* \* \*

(iii) Bylaw provisions that adopt the language of the model or optional bylaws in OTS's Application Processing Handbook, if adopted without change, and filed with OTS within 30 days after adoption, are effective upon adoption.

Dated: March 8, 2001.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

# Ellen Seidman,

Director.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 25

[Docket No. NM186, Special Conditions No. 25–175–SC]

# Special Conditions: Learjet Model 55 and 55B Airplanes; High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF)

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final special conditions; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** These special conditions are issued for Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes modified by JetCorp. These modified airplanes will have novel and unusual design features when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes. The modification incorporates the installation of dual Attitude Heading Reference Systems (ARHS) that provide air data input to both pilot and copilot flight instruments displaying critical flight parameters (attitude) to the flightcrew. The applicable airworthiness standards do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for the protection of these systems from the effects of high-intensity radiated fields. The special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that provided by the existing airworthiness standards.

**DATES:** The effective date of these special conditions is March 7, 2001. Comments must be received on or before April 16, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on these special conditions may be mailed in duplicate

to: Federal Aviation Administration, Transport Airplane Directorate, Attn: Rules Docket (ANM–114), Docket No. NM186, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, Washington, 98055–4056; or delivered in duplicate to the Transport Airplane Directorate at the above address. Comments must be marked: Docket No. NM186. Comments may be inspected in the Rules Docket weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Quam, FAA, Standardization Branch, ANM–113, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, Washington, 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–2145; facsimile (425) 227–1149.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **Comments Invited**

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for making these special conditions effective upon issuance; however, interested persons are invited to submit such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the rules docket or special conditions number and be submitted in duplicate to the address specified above. The Administrator will consider all communications received on or before the closing date for comments. These special conditions may be changed in light of the comments received. All comments received will be available in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerning this rulemaking will be filed in the docket. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to these special conditions must include a selfaddressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. NM186." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

# **Background**

On November 28, 2000, JetCorp, 18152 Edison Avenue, Chesterfield, Missouri, 63005, applied for a supplemental type certificate (STC) to modify Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes listed on Type Certificate A10CE. The Lear 55 and 55B are twinengine, executive type transports capable of carrying two flight crewmembers and eight passengers. Two aft-mounted Garrett TFE–731 engines power both models. The

modification incorporates the installation of dual Rockwell Collins Attitude Heading Reference Systems (ARHS) that provide air data input to both pilot and copilot flight instruments displaying critical flight parameters (attitude) to the flightcrew. The AHRS can be susceptible to disruption to both command/response signals as a result of electrical and magnetic interference. This disruption of signals could result in loss of all critical flight displays and annunciations or present misleading information to the pilot.

# **Type Certification Basis**

Under the provisions of 14 CFR 21.101, JetCorp must show that the Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes, as changed, continue to meet the applicable provisions of the regulations incorporated by reference in Type Certificate No. A10CE, or the applicable regulations in effect on the date of application for the change. The regulations incorporated by reference in the type certificate are commonly referred to as the "original type certification basis." The certification basis for the modified Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes includes 14 CFR part 25, dated February 1, 1965, as amended by Amendments 25-1, 25-3, 25-4, 25-7, 25-10, 25-12, 25-18, 25-21, 25-30, and selected regulations under Amendments 25-11, 25-14, 25-15, 25-17, 25-20, 25-23, 25-36, 25-38, 25-40, 25-42, and 25-43, as listed in Type Certificate Data Sheet A10CE.

If the Administrator finds that the applicable airworthiness regulations (i.e., part 25, as amended) do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for the Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes because of a novel or unusual design feature, special conditions are prescribed under the provisions of § 21.16.

In addition to the applicable airworthiness regulations and special conditions, the Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes must comply with the fuel vent and exhaust emission requirements of part 34 and the noise certification requirements of part 36.

Special conditions, as defined in § 11.19, are issued in accordance with § 11.38 and become part of the type certification basis in accordance with § 21.101(b)(2).

Special conditions are initially applicable to the model for which they are issued. Should JetCorp apply at a later date for a supplemental type certificate to modify any other model already included on the same type certificate to incorporate the same novel or unusual design feature, these special conditions would also apply to the other

model under the provisions of § 21.101(a)(1).

# **Novel or Unusual Design Features**

As noted earlier, the modified Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes will incorporate dual Attitude and Heading Reference Systems (AHRS) that provide air data input to both pilot and copilot flight instruments displaying critical flight parameters (attitude) to the flightcrew. The AHRS can be susceptible to disruption to both command/response signals as a result of electrical and magnetic interference. This disruption of signals could result in loss of all critical flight displays and annunciations or present misleading information to the pilot.

#### Discussion

There is no specific regulation that addresses protection requirements for electrical and electronic systems from HIRF. Increased power levels from ground-based radio transmitters and the growing use of sensitive avionic/ electronic and electrical systems to command and control airplanes have made it necessary to provide adequate protection.

To ensure that a level of safety is achieved equivalent to that intended by the regulations incorporated by reference, special conditions are needed for the Learjet Model 55 and 55B. These special conditions require that new avionic/electronic and electrical systems, such as the AHRS, that perform critical functions be designed and installed to preclude component damage and interruption of function due to both the direct and indirect effects of HIRF.

# **High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF)**

With the trend toward increased power levels from ground-based transmitters, plus the advent of space and satellite communications coupled with electronic command and control of the airplane, the immunity of critical digital avionics systems to HIRF must be established.

It is not possible to precisely define the HIRF to which the airplane will be exposed in service. There is also uncertainty concerning the effectiveness of airframe shielding for HIRF. Furthermore, coupling of electromagnetic energy to cockpitinstalled equipment through the cockpit window apertures is undefined. Based on surveys and analysis of existing HIRF emitters, an adequate level of protection exists when compliance with the HIRF protection special condition is shown with either paragraph 1, or paragraph 2, below:

- 1. A minimum threat of 100 volts rms per meter electric field strength from 10 KHz to 18 GHz.
- a. The threat must be applied to the system elements and their associated wiring harnesses without the benefit of airframe shielding.
- b. Demonstration of this level of protection is established through system tests and analysis.
- 2. A threat external to the airframe of the following field strengths for the frequency ranges indicated. Both peak and average field strength components from the Table are to be demonstrated.

Frequency	Field Strength (volts per meter)	
	Peak	Average
10 kHz–100 kHz 100 kHz–500 kHz 500 kHz–2 MHz 2 MHz–30 MHz 30 MHz–70 MHz 70 MHz–100 MHz 100 MHz–200 MHz 200 MHz–400 MHz 400 MHz–1 GHz 1 GHz–2 GHz 4 GHz–6 GHz	50 50 50 100 50 50 100 100 700 2000 3000 3000	50 50 50 100 50 50 100 100 200 200 200
6 GHz–8 GHz	1000	200
8 GHz-12 GHz	3000	300
12 GHz–18 GHz 18 GHz–40 GHz	2000 600	200 200

The field strengths are expressed in terms of peak of the root-mean-square (rms) over the complete modulation period.

The threat levels identified above are the result of an FAA review of existing studies on the subject of HIRF, in light of the ongoing work of the Electromagnetic Effects Harmonization Working Group of the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

# **Applicability**

As discussed above, these special conditions are applicable to Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes modified by JetCorp. Should JetCorp apply at a later date for a supplemental type certificate to modify any other model included on the same type certificate to incorporate the same novel or unusual design feature, these special conditions would apply to that model as well under the provisions of § 21.101(a)(1).

# Conclusion

This action affects only certain novel or unusual design features on Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes modified by JetCorp. It is not a rule of general applicability and affects only the applicant who applied to the FAA for approval of these features on the airplane.

The substance of the special conditions for this airplane has been subjected to the notice and comment period in several prior instances and has been derived without substantive change from those previously issued. It is unlikely that prior public comment would result in a significant change from the substance contained herein. For this reason, and because a delay would significantly affect the certification of the airplane, which is imminent, the FAA has determined that prior public notice and comment are unnecessary and impracticable, and good cause exists for adopting these special conditions upon issuance. The FAA is requesting comments to allow interested persons to submit views that may not have been submitted in response to the prior opportunities for comment described above.

# List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 25

Aircraft, Aviation safety, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

The authority citation for these special conditions is as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701, 44702, 44704.

# The Special Conditions

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the following special conditions are issued as part of the type certification basis for Learjet Model 55 and 55B airplanes modified by JetCorp.

- 1. Protection from Unwanted Effects of High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF). Each electrical and electronic system that performs critical functions must be designed and installed to ensure that the operation and operational capability of these systems to perform critical functions are not adversely affected when the airplane is exposed to high intensity radiated fields.
- 2. For the purpose of these special conditions, the following definition applies: *Critical Functions*: Functions whose failure would contribute to or cause a failure condition that would prevent the continued safe flight and landing of the airplane.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on March 7, 2001.

#### Donald L. Riggin,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 01–6372 Filed 3–14–01; 8:45 am]

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NE-43-AD; Amendment 39-12143; AD 99-18-18 R1]

RIN 2120-AA64

# Airworthiness Directives; Dowty Aerospace Propellers Model R381/6– 123–F/5 Propellers

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment revises an existing airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to Dowty Aerospace Propellers Model R381/6-123-F/5 propellers, that requires initial and repetitive visual and ultrasonic inspections of propeller blades for cracks across the camber face, and, if blades are found cracked, replacement with serviceable blades. This amendment is prompted by an engineering analysis of field service data and certification testing that indicate that the repetitive visual inspection interval can be safely increased and that the ultrasonic inspections can be eliminated. The actions specified in this proposed AD are intended to detect propeller blade cracks and propagation, which if not detected could result in propeller blade separation and possible aircraft loss of control.

**DATES:** Effective April 19, 2001. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of April 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Dowty Aerospace Propellers, Anson Business Park, Cheltenham Road East, Gloucester GL29QN, England; telephone: 44 1452 716000, fax: 44 1452 716001. This information may be examined at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional 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. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kirk

Gustafson, Aerospace Engineer, Boston Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803–5299; telephone: 781–238–7190, fax: 781–238–7199.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) by revising AD 99–18–18, Amendment