

runway at the Mojave Airport. Concept B launch vehicles would use suborbital trajectories and, therefore, would not reach Earth orbit. Concept B launch vehicles would launch and land horizontally at the Mojave Airport. They would not require runway lengths in excess of existing infrastructure at the Mojave Airport.

Two alternatives to the proposed action were considered in the Draft EA/Initial Study. The first alternative would be to issue a launch site operator license to the EKAD for the Mojave Airport for inclusion of launch vehicles specifically fitting the description of Concept A. The second alternative would be to issue a launch site operator license to the EKAD for the Mojave Airport for inclusion of launch vehicles specifically fitting the description of Concept B.

Potential impacts of the proposed action and alternatives were analyzed in the Draft EA/Initial Study. Potential environmental impacts of successful launches include impacts to air quality, airspace, biological resources, cultural resources, health and safety, hazardous materials and hazardous waste, geology and soils, land use, noise, socioeconomics and environmental justice, transportation, visual and aesthetic resources, and water resources. The impacts of the No Action Alternative would be the same as those described for the affected environment in the Draft EA/Initial Study.

Potential cumulative impacts of the operation of the proposed launch site are also addressed in the Draft EA/Initial Study.

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**Herbert Bachner,**

*Manager, Space Systems Development Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### RTCA Special Committee 200: Modular Avionics (MA)/EUROCAE WG-60

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 200 meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 200: Modular Avionics.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on November 18–21, 2003 from 9 am to 5 pm.

**ADDRESS:** The meeting will be held at Smiths Aerospace, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL52 8SF, United Kingdom.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** (1) RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036–5133; telephone (202) 833–9339; fax (202) 833–9434; Website <http://www.rtca.org>. (2) Smiths-Aerospace contact, Mr. Robin Perry; +44(0)1242 632661; e-mail [robin.perry@smiths-aerospace.com](mailto:robin.perry@smiths-aerospace.com).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 200 meeting. The agenda will include:

- November 18:
  - Subgroup 1–3 Meetings
- November 19:
  - Opening Session (Welcome, Introductory and Administrative Remarks, Review Agenda, Review Summary of Previous Meeting)
  - Review Action Items
  - Briefings on Related Committees
  - Establish Editorial Working Group

November 20:

- Subgroups 1–3 Meetings

November 21:

- Report of Subgroup Meetings
- Review of Consolidated Draft Document
- Plans for Editorial Group Activities
- Review of Action Items
- Closing Session (Make Assignments, Date and Place of Next Meeting, Closing Remarks, Adjourn)

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 22, 2003.

**Robert Zoldos,**

*FAA Systems Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### RTCA Special Committee 201: Aeronautical Operational Control (AOC) Message Hazard Mitigation (AMHM)

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 201 meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 201: Aeronautical Operational Control (AOC) Message Hazard Mitigation (AMHM).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on November 11–13, 2003, beginning at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Boeing, Boeing Everett Bldg. 40–86, Everett, Washington.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** (1) RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC, 20036–5133; telephone (202) 833–9339; fax (202) 833–9434; Web site <http://www.rtca.org>. (2) Mr. Rich Rawls, telephone (425) 266–9873.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 201 meeting. The agenda will include:

- November 11:
  - Opening Session (Welcome, Introductory and Administrative Remarks, Review Agenda, Background)
- Review comments to Draft Document AOC Message Hazard Mitigation (AMHM) Version E1.
- Drafting group work on other sections of the document
  - Subgroup A Section 2
  - Subgroup B Section 3
  - Subgroup C Section 4
- Closing Session (Other Business, Date and Place of Next Meeting, Closing Remarks, Adjourn)

**Note:** This agenda will be followed as appropriate over the course of 3 days.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 22, 2003.

**Robert Zoldos,**

*FAA System Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Environmental Impact Statement: Bartow, Cherokee and Forsyth Counties, GA

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of rescission of the Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice of rescission to advise the public that preparation of an environmental impact statement for the Northern Arc, a proposed west-east connector between U.S. 411 in Bartow County, Georgia and S.R. 400 in Forsyth County, Georgia has been terminated. This is a formal rescission of the Notice of Intent that was published in the **Federal Register** on September 18, 2000.

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Giersch, Environmental Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Suite 17T100, Atlanta, GA 30303-3104, Telephone (404) 562-3653 and/or Mr. Harvey Keepler, State Environmental/Location Engineer, Georgia Department of Transportation, Office of Environmental/Location, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, Georgia 30336, Telephone (404) 699-4400.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FHWA in cooperation with the GDOT, will not prepare an EIS for a proposal to construct a four-lane, limited access highway located between U.S. 411 in Bartow County and S.R. 400 in Forsyth County, Georgia. The State of Georgia has withdrawn the proposal to construct the 50-mile long project.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning and Construction. Georgia's approved clearinghouse review procedures apply to this program.)

Issued on: September 25, 2003.

**Jennifer Giersch,**

*Environmental Coordinator, Atlanta, Georgia.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

**[Docket Number MARAD 2003 16455]**

#### Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel BRANDY.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Public Law 105-383 and Public Law 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2003-16455 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before December 8, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2003 16455. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket

is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Hokana, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR-830 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-0760.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel BRANDY is:

*Intended Use:* Applicant will be doing several multi-hour tours per day.

*Geographic Region:* "U.S. Gulf Coast, U.S. East Coast, U.S. West Coast except S.E. Alaska."

Dated: November 3, 2003.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

**[Docket Number MARAD 2003 16454]**

#### Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel RUMBOW.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Public Law 105-383 and Public Law 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2003 16454 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the