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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

9 CFR Parts 54 and 79

[Docket No. 97-093-3]

Scrapie in Sheep and Goats; Interstate **Movement Restrictions and Indemnity** Program

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of reopening and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening and extending the comment period for our proposed rule to restrict the interstate movement of sheep and goats from States that do not follow effective flock management practices for scrapie, to require animal identification for sheep and goats moving interstate, and to reinstate a scrapie indemnity program to compensate owners of certain animals destroyed due to scrapie. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: We invite you to comment on Docket No. 97–093–2. We will consider all comments that we receive by January

ADDRESSES: Please send your comment and three copies to: Docket No. 97-093-2, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Suite 3C03, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No.

You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Diane Sutton, Senior Staff Veterinarian, National Animal Health Programs Staff, 4700 River Road Unit 43, Riverdale, MD 20737-1235; (301) 734-4363.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 30, 1999, we published in the Federal Register (64 FR 66791-66812, Docket No. 97-093-2) a proposal to amend the regulations in 9 CFR parts 54 and 79 to restrict the interstate movement of sheep and goats from States that do not follow effective flock management practices for scrapie. This proposed rule would also require animal identification for sheep and goats moving interstate and reinstate a scrapie indemnity program to compensate owners of certain animals destroyed due to scrapie.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before December 30, 1999. Some commenters have indicated that it will be difficult for them to complete and submit comments during this period due to events of the holiday season. We are reopening and extending the comment period on Docket No. 97-093-2 for 15 days to January 14, 2000. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Internet Access

APHIS documents published in the Federal Register, and related information, including the names of organizations and individuals who have commented on APHIS rules, are available on the Internet at http:// www.aphis.usda.gov/ppd/rad/ webrepor.html.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 111, 114, 114a, and 134a-134h; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(d).

Done in Washington, DC, this 29th day of December 1999.

A.B. Cielo,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION [Notice 2000-1]

11 CFR Parts 100, 102, 103, 104, 106, 107, 109, 110, 114, and 116

Use of the Internet for Campaign Activity

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission. **ACTION:** Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On November 5, 1999, the Commission published a Notice of Inquiry inviting comments on the use of the Internet to conduct campaign activity. The Commission has extended the deadline for submitting comments until January 7, 2000.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before January 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Rosemary C. Smith, Assistant General Counsel, and must be submitted in either written or electronic form. Written comments should be sent to the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Faxed comments should be sent to (202) 219–3923, with printed copy follow up. Electronic mail comments should be sent to internetnoi@fec.gov, and should include the full name, electronic mail address and postal service address of the commenter. Additional information on electronic submission is provided below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rosemary C. Smith, Assistant General Counsel, or Paul Sanford, Staff Attorney, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463, (202) 694–1650 or (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 5, 1999, the Commission published a Notice of Inquiry regarding the use of the Internet for campaign activity. 64 FR 60360 (Nov. 5, 1999). The November 5 Notice set forth a January 4, 2000 deadline for submission of comments. The Commission has decided to extend this comment period until January 7, 2000.

As indicated in the Notice of Inquiry, all comments should be addressed to Rosemary C. Smith, Assistant General Counsel, and must be submitted in either written or electronic form. Written comments should be sent to the Commission's postal service address: Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463.

Faxed comments should be sent to (202) 219–3923. Commenters submitting faxed comments should also submit a printed copy to the Commission's postal service address to ensure legibility. Comments may also be sent by electronic mail to internetnoi@fec.gov. Commenters sending comments by electronic mail should include their full name, electronic mail address and postal service address within the text of their comments. All comments, regardless of form, must be submitted by January 7, 2000.

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Darryl R. Wold,

Chairman, Federal Election Commission. [FR Doc. 00–320 Filed 1–6–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6715–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NM-229-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Model 750 Citation X Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking

(NPRM); rescission.

SUMMARY: This document proposes to rescind an existing airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to all Cessna Model 750 Citation X series airplanes, that currently requires repetitive inflight functional tests to verify proper operation of the secondary horizontal stabilizer pitch trim system, and repair, if necessary. The actions specified by that AD are intended to detect and correct such contamination and damage, which could result in simultaneous failure of both primary and secondary pitch trim systems, and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane. Since the issuance of that AD, an improved part has been developed, which, if installed, would terminate the repetitive tests; that improved part has been installed on all affected airplanes or is being installed in production. Therefore, the identified unsafe condition no longer exists.

DATES: Comments must be received by February 22, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 99-NM-

229–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.

Information pertaining to this proposed rule may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joel M. Ligon, Aerospace Engineer, Systems and Propulsion Branch, ACE–116W, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office, 1801 Airport Road, Room 100, Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, Kansas 67209; telephone (316) 946–4138; fax (316) 946–4407.

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 99–NM–229–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. 99–NM–229–AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056.

Discussion

On July 29, 1998, the FAA issued AD 98-16-17, amendment 39-10693 (63 FR 42206, August 7, 1998), applicable to all Cessna Model 750 Citation X series airplanes, to require repetitive in-flight functional tests to verify proper operation of the secondary horizontal stabilizer pitch trim system, and repair, if necessary. That action was prompted by reports of simultaneous failures of the primary and secondary horizontal stabilizer pitch trim system during flight, due to internal water contamination and corrosion damage in the system actuator. The requirements of that AD are intended to detect and correct such contamination and damage. which could result in simultaneous failure of both primary and secondary pitch trim systems, and consequent reduced controllability of the airplane.

Actions Since Issuance of Previous Rule

Since the issuance of that AD, the manufacturer has developed a modification (reference Čessna Service Bulletin SB750-27-23, dated February 2, 1999) that involves replacement of the horizontal stabilizer trim system actuator with an improved actuator incorporating a moisture condenser. The improved design will prevent internal water contamination and corrosion damage of the actuator. The FAA has determined that installation of this improved actuator will adequately address the unsafe condition identified in AD 98-16-17, and will eliminate the need for the repetitive in-flight functional tests required by that AD.

The manufacturer has verified that the modification has been accomplished on all affected airplanes, including those in production, and on all actuators in operators' inventories. Therefore, the unsafe condition cannot be reintroduced into the fleet.

FAA's Conclusions

Since all affected airplanes, including those in production, and all actuators in operators' inventories have been modified, the FAA has determined that it is necessary to rescind AD 98–16–17 in order to prevent operators from performing an unnecessary action.

This proposed action would rescind AD 98–16–17. Rescission of AD 98–16–17 would constitute only such action, and, if followed by a final action, would not preclude the agency from issuing another notice in the future, nor would it commit the agency to any course of action in the future.

Cost Impact

The FAA estimates that 52 airplanes of U.S. registry are affected by AD 98–