#### **Executive Order 12372**

This program/activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.025 and is subject to Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V.)

#### **Executive Order 12988**

This proposed rule has been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. If this proposed rule is adopted: (1) All State and local laws and regulations that are inconsistent with this rule will be preempted; (2) no retroactive effect will be given to this rule; and (3) administrative proceedings will not be required before parties may file suit in court challenging this rule.

## Paperwork Reduction Act

This proposed rule contains no information collection or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

#### Lists of Subjects

9 CFR Part 91

Animal diseases, Animal welfare, Exports, Livestock, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation.

9 CFR Part 161

Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Veterinarians.

Accordingly, we propose to amend 9 CFR parts 91 and 161 as follows:

#### PART 91—INSPECTION AND HANDLING OF LIVESTOCK FOR **EXPORTATION**

1. The authority citation for part 91 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 105, 112, 113, 114a, 120, 121, 134b, 134f, 136, 136a, 612, 613, 614, and 618; 46 U.S.C. 466a and 466b; 49 U.S.C. 1509(d); 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(d).

2. In § 91.3, paragraph (a) and the second sentence in paragraph (c) would be revised to read as follows:

## § 91.3 General export requirements.

(a) All animals intended for exportation to a foreign country, except by land to Mexico or Canada, must be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the port of embarkation by an origin health certificate. All animals intended for exportation by land to Mexico or Canada must be accompanied from the State of origin of the export movement to the border of the United States by an origin health certificate. The origin

health certificate must certify that the animals were inspected within the 30 days prior to the date of export, except as follows: When the Administrator allows sampling or testing to be done more than 30 days prior to the date of export, in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section, then the animals also may be inspected within that same time period, and the origin health certificate will remain valid for that time period. The origin health certificate must certify that the animals were found upon inspection to be healthy and free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure to communicable disease. The origin health certificate must be endorsed by an authorized APHIS veterinarian in the State of origin and must include any test results added by the authorized APHIS veterinarian pursuant to § 161.3(k) of this chapter (any added test results must be initialed by the authorized veterinarian). The origin health certificate must individually identify the animals in the shipment as to species, breed, sex, and age and, if applicable, must also show registration name and number, tattoo markings, or other natural or acquired markings. The origin health certificate must include all test results, certifications, or other statements required by the country of destination.

(c) \* \* \* The samples must be taken and tests must be made within the 30 days prior to the date of export, except that the Administrator may allow such sampling or testing to be conducted more than 30 days prior to the date of export if required or allowed by the receiving country, and the tuberculin test may be conducted within the 90 days prior to the date of export. \* \* \*

## PART 161—REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITED VETERINARIANS AND SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF SUCH **ACCREDITATION**

3. The authority citation for part 161 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 1828; 21 U.S.C. 105, 111-114, 114a, 114a-1, 115, 116, 120, 121, 125, 134b, 134f, 612, and 613; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(d).

4. In § 161.3, paragraph (b) would be revised to read as follows.

#### § 161.3 Standards for accredited veterinarian duties.

(b) An accredited veterinarian shall not issue, or allow to be used, any certificate, form, record or report, until, and unless, it has been accurately and

fully completed, clearly identifying the animals to which it applies, and showing the dates and results of any inspection, test, vaccination, or treatment the accredited veterinarian has conducted, except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, and the dates of issuance and expiration of the document. Certificates, forms, records, and reports shall be valid for 30 days following the date of inspection of the animal identified on the document, except that origin health certificates may be valid for a longer period of time as provided in § 91.3(a) of this chapter. The accredited veterinarian must distribute copies of certificates, forms, records, and reports according to instructions issued to him or her by the Veterinarian-in-Charge.

Done in Washington, DC, this 11th day of April 2000.

## Bobby R. Acord,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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#### **NUCLEAR REGULATORY** COMMISSION

#### 10 CFR Part 50

## **Public Workshop on Risk-Informed** Regulation—Option 2

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of workshop.

**SUMMARY:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will host a public workshop to provide an opportunity for discussion of the Nuclear Energy Institute's (NEI) guidance on special treatment requirements, advanced notice of proposed rulemaking, and possible alternative approaches to Option 2 in risk-informed regulations. The workshop is open to the public. DATES: The workshop will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2000, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Ramada Inn Bethesda, Room Embassy III, 8400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland. The hotel's phone number is (301) 654-

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Egan Y. Wang, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, telephone: (301) 415-1076, email eyw@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The discussion topics are tentative and subject to change. Anyone interested in providing a presentation on these or other related topic(s), please contact Egan Wang at (301) 415–1076. This workshop will provide an opportunity to discuss topics related to Option 2 in risk-informed regulations.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of March 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Cynthia A. Carpenter**,

Chief, Generic Issues, Environmental, Financial and Rulemaking Branch, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

#### 10 CFR Part 63

Public Meetings on Issues Associated with the Licensing Process for a Possible High-Level Waste Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings in Las Vegas, Nevada and Pahrump, Nevada.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff will hold a series of public meetings on the highlevel waste repository licensing process. The meetings are intended to foster a common understanding among the stakeholders on issues that would be associated with the licensing process, should the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) submit a license application to the NRC for a possible geologic repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. All meetings will be facilitated by Francis X. Cameron, Special Counsel for Public Liaison, of the NRC Office of the General Counsel.

The first meeting in the series is an Information Workshop designed primarily for the professional staff of the affected interests. It is open to the public and will begin with an NRC overview of the licensing process, followed by NRC presentations on the role of information management and proceeding support, the role of the NRC technical staff in evaluating the DOE license application, and the NRC inspection process. Opportunities for questions and answers will be provided throughout the workshop. The time, date, and location of the Information Workshop is shown below.

The second meeting in the series is primarily to acquaint the public with the NRC's high-level waste licensing process. It will begin with an overview of the three topics addressed at the first meeting, followed by a question and answer period. In addition, members of the NRC staff will be available for informal discussion with members of the public. The time, date, and location of the Public Meeting is shown below. The NRC staff plans to hold a third meeting on the licensing process in Washington, DC later this year, and the time, date, and location of the meeting will be announced in the Federal Register.

**TIME/DATE:** The Information Workshop will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2000, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (Pacific time).

**PLACE:** Clark County Government Center, Gold Room, 4th Floor, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155.

**TIME/DATE:** The Public Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2000, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m (Pacific time).

**PLACE:** Mountain View Casino and Bowl, 1750 Pahrump Valley Boulevard, Pahrump, Nevada 89048.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Francis X. Cameron, Special Counsel for Public Liaison, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C. 20555– 0001, or by telephone: (301) 415–1642 or e-mail: fxc@nrc.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NRC's proposed rule can be obtained from the NRC website (http://www.nrc.gov/NMSS/DWM/hlwreg.html), or by contacting Ms. Judy Goodwin at (301) 415–5870 or via e-mail at jcg@nrc.gov. Copies of the rule will also be available at the meetings.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 11th day of April, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

#### C. William Reamer,

Chief, High-Level Waste and Performance Assessment Branch, Division of Waste Management, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration** 

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NM-356-AD]

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Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER) Model EMB-120 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 EMBRAER Model EMB-120 series airplanes. This proposal would require revising the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM), and either installing hydraulic tube assemblies incorporating a check valve, or visually inspecting the check valve if already installed and corrective action, 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 prevent the landing gear doors from becoming blocked from opening during application of emergency procedures in the event of a loss of hydraulics.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by May 17, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 99-NM-356-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 Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. (EMBRAER), P.O. Box 343—CEP 12.225, Sao Jose dos Campos—SP, Brazil. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, One Crown Center, 1895 Phoenix Boulevard, suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia.

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