

certification and operational regulations and guidance material for ETOPS approvals up to 180 minutes.

2. Develop comprehensive ETOPS airworthiness standards for 14 CFR parts 25, 33, 121, and 135, as appropriate, to codify the existing policies and practices.

3. Develop ETOPS requirements for operations and excess of 180 minutes up to whatever extent that may be justified. Develop those requirements such that incremental approvals up to a maximum may be approved.

4. Develop standardized requirements for extended range operations for all airplanes, regardless of the number of engines, including all turbojet and turbopropeller commercial twin-engine airplanes (business jets), excluding reciprocating engine powered commercial airplanes. This effort should establish criteria for diversion times up to 180 minutes that is consistent with existing ETOPS policy and procedures. It should also develop criteria for diversion times beyond 180 minutes that is consistent with the ETOPS criteria developed by the working group.

5. Develop additional guidance and/or advisory material as the ARAC finds appropriate.

6. Harmonize such standardized requirements across national boundaries and regulatory bodies.

7. Any proposal to increase the safety requirements for existing ETOPS approvals up to 207 minutes must contain data defining the unsafe conditions that would warrant the safety requirements.

8. The working group will provide briefings to the Transport Airplane and Engine Issues group.

9. The recommendations should consider the comments received as a result of the April 27, 1999 and January 21, 2000 **Federal Register** notices.

10. Within one year of publication of the ARAC task in the **Federal Register**, submit recommendations to the FAA in the form of a proposed rule.

Working Group Activity

The ETOPS Working Group is expected to comply with the procedures adopted by ARAC. As part of the procedures, the working group is expected to:

1. Recommend a work plan for completion of the tasks, including the rationale supporting such a plan, for consideration at the meeting of ARAC to consider air carrier operations issues held following publication of this notice.

2. Give a detailed conceptual presentation of the proposed

recommendations, prior to a proceeding with the work stated in item 3 below.

3. Draft an appropriate report.

4. Provide a status report at each meeting of ARAC held to consider air carrier operations issues.

Participation in the Working Group

The ETOPS Working Group is composed of experts having an interest in the assigned task. A working group member need not be a representative of a member of the full committee.

A person who has expertise in the subject matter and wishes to become a member of the working group should contact Mark Lawyer, Federal Aviation Administration (ARM-107), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; phone (202) 493-4531; fax (202) 267-5075; email mark_lawyer@faa.gov. The person should describe his or her interest in the tasks and state the expertise he or she would bring to the working group. The request will be reviewed by the assistant chair, the assistant executive director, and the working group chair. The person will be advised whether or not the request can be accommodated. Requests to participate on the ETOPS Working Group should be submitted no later than June 26, 2000. To the extent possible, the composition of the working group will be balanced among the aviation interests selected to participate.

The Secretary of Transportation has determined that the formation and use of ARAC are necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the FAA by law.

Meetings of ARAC will be open to the public. Meetings of the ETOPS Working Group will not be open to the public, except to the extent that individuals with an interest and expertise are selected to participate. No public announcement of working group meetings will be made.

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Assistant Executive Director for Air Carrier Operations Issues, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Emergency Evacuation Issues

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) to discuss emergency evacuation (EE) issues.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for June 29, 2000, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Arrange for oral presentations by June 22.

ADDRESSES: Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 535 Garden Avenue, N., Building 10-16, Renton, WA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Effie M. Upshaw, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-7626, FAX (202) 267-5075, or e-mail at effie.upshaw@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app. III), notice is given of an ARAC meeting to be held June 29 in Renton, WA.

The agenda will include:

- Opening Remarks.
- FAA Report.
- Joint Aviation Authorities Report.
- Cabin Safety Harmonization Working Group Report.

• Performance Standards Working Group Report.

• Emergency Evacuation Charter Update Proposal.

Attendance is open to the public, but will be limited to the space available. Visitor badges are required to gain entrance to the building in which the meeting is being held. Please confirm your attendance with Norm Turner, (425) 234-3312, or by e-mail, norman.g.turner@Boeing.com. Please provide the following information: Full legal name, country of citizenship, and name of your company, if applicable.

The public must make arrangements by June 22 to present oral statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the committee at any time by providing 25 copies to the Assistant Executive Director for Emergency Evacuation issues or by providing copies at the meeting. Copies of the documents to be voted upon may be made available by contacting the person

listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

If you are in need of assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the meeting or meeting documents, please contact the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Sign and oral interpretation, as well as a listening device, can be made available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

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Florence L. Hamn,

Acting Director, Office of Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Transport Airplane and Engine Issues

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) to discuss transport airplane and engine (TAE) issues.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for June 27-28, 2000, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on June 27. Arrange for oral presentations by June 22.

ADDRESSES: Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, 535 Garden Avenue, N., Building 10-16, Renton, WA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Effie M. Upshaw, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-7626, FAX (202) 267-5075, or e-mail at effie.upshaw@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app. III), notice is given of an ARAC meeting to be held June 27-28, in Renton, WA.

The agenda will include:

June 27

- Opening Remarks
- FAA Report
- Joint Aviation Authorities Report
- Transport Canada Report
- Executive Committee Meeting Report
- Harmonization Management Team Report
- Engine Harmonization Working Group (HWG) Report

- Avionics Systems HWG Report and Vote
- Flight Guidance System HWG Report and Vote
- Systems Design and Analysis HWG Report
- Ice Protection HWG Report
- Powerplant Installation HWG Report and Vote
- Seat Test HWG Report
- Design for Security HWG Report and Vote

June 28

- Braking System HWG Report and vote
- General Structures HWG Report and Vote
- Airworthiness Assurance HWG Report
- Flight Test HWG Report and Vote
- Electromagnetic Effects HWG Report
- Loads & Dynamics HWG Report and Vote
- Flight Controls HWG Report and Vote
- Mechanical Systems HWG Report and Vote
- Electrical Systems HWG Report and Vote

Nine HWGs-Avionics Systems, Flight Guidance System, Powerplant Installation, General Structures, Flight Test, Loads & Dynamics, Flight Controls, Mechanical Systems, and Electrical Systems—plan to request approval of technical reports drafted under the Fast Track process. The Design for Security HWG plans to seek approval of its phase 1 report.

The Braking Systems HWG plans to request a vote to submit a proposed disposition of comments to the FAA. The disposition of comments relate to a proposed rule on brakes and braking systems certification tests and analysis that was published in the **Federal Register** on August 10, 1999; the comment period closed November 8, 1999 (64 FR 43570).

Attendance is open to the public, but will be limited to the space available. Visitor badges are required to gain entrance to the building in which the meeting is being held. Please confirm your attendance with Norm Turner, (425) 234-3312, or by e-mail, norman.g.turner@boeing.com. Please provide the following information: full legal name, country of citizenship, and name of your company, if applicable.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

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Proposed Issuance of Policy Memorandum, Methods of Approval of Retrofit Shoulder Harness Installations in Small Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of policy statement, request for comments.

SUMMARY: This document announces an FAA proposed general statement of policy applicable to the modification of small airplanes. This document advises the public, in particular, small airplane owners and modifiers, of additional information related to acceptable methods of approval of retrofit shoulder harness installations. This notice is necessary to advise the public of FAA policy and give all interested persons an opportunity to present their views on the policy statement.

DATES: Comments submitted must be received no later than July 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on this policy statement to the individual identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at Federal Aviation Administration Small Airplane Directorate, ACE-111, Room 301, 901 Locust, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Reyer, Federal Aviation Administration, Small Airplane Directorate, ACE-111, Room 301, 901 Locust, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, telephone (816) 329-4131; fax 816-329-4090; e-mail; michael.reyer@faa.gov.

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