DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-12]

Amendment to Class E Airspace; Oelwein, IA; Correction

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date and correction.

SUMMARY: This document confirms the effective date of a direct final rule which revises the Class E airspace at Oelwein, IA, and corrects an error in the name of the Nondirectional Radio Beacon (NDB) as published in the **Federal Register** July 3, 2000 (65 FR 40990), Airspace Docket No. 00–ACE–12.

DATES: The direct final rule published at 65 FR 40990 is effective on 0901 UTC, November 30, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329–2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On July 3, 2000, the FAA published in the Federal Register a direct final rule; request for comments which revises the Class E airspace at Oelwein, IA (FR document 00-16662, 65 FR 40990, Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-12). An error was subsequently discovered that the Hampton NDB should be the Oelwein NDB. This action corrects that error. After careful review of all available information related to the subject presented above, the FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require adoption of the rule. The FAA has determined that this correction will not change the meaning of the action nor add any additional burden on the public beyond that already published. This action corrects the error in the airspace designation and confirms the effective date to the direct final rule.

The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA believes that there will be no adverse public comment. This direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, were received

within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on November 30, 2000. No adverse comments were received, and thus this notice confirms that this direct final rule will become effective on that date.

Correction to the Direct Final Rule

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the airspace designation for Oelwein Municipal Airport, as published in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2000 (65 FR 40990), **Federal Register** Document 00–16662; page 40991, column two) is corrected as follows:

§71.1 [Corrected]

ACE IA E5 Oelwein, IA [Corrected]

On page 40991, in the second column, in the text header, line four, remove Hampton NDB and substitute Oelwein NDB.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on September 5, 2000.

Herman J. Lyons, Jr.,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region. [FR Doc. 00–23813 Filed 9–15–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-26]

Amendment to Class E Airspace; Pella, IA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action amends the Class E airspace area at Pella Municipal Airport, Pella, IA. The FAA has developed Area Navigation (RNAV) Z Runway (RWY) 16, RNAV Z RWY 34, RNAV Y RWY 16, and RNAV Y RWY 34

developed Area Navigation (RNAV) Z Runway (RWY) 16, RNAV Z RWY 34, RNAV Y RWY 16 and RNAV Y RWY 34 Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) to serve Pella Municipal Airport, Pella, IA. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) is needed to accommodate these SIAPs and for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at this airport. The enlarged area will contain the RNAV Z RWY 16, RNAV Z RWY 34, RNAV Y RWY 16 and RNAV Y RWY 34 SIAPs in

In addition a minor revision to the Airport Reference Point (ARP) is included in this document.

controlled airspace.

The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled Class E airspace for aircraft executing RNAV Z RWY 16, RNAV Z RWY 34, RNAV Y RWY 16 and RNAV Y RWY 34 SIAPs, revise the ARP and to segregate aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from aircraft operating in visual conditions.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective on 0901 UTC, January 25, 2001.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before November 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the rule in triplicate: Manager, Operations and Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE–530, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 00–ACE–26, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Central Region at the same address between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the Air Traffic Division at the same address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329–2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA has developed RNAV Z RWY 16, RNAV Z RWY 34, RNAV Y RWY 16 and RNAV Y RWY 34 SIAPs to serve the Pella Municipal Airport, Pella, IA. The amendment to Class E airspace at Pella, IA, will provide additional controlled airspace at and above 700 feet AGL in order to contain the SIAPs within controlled airspace, and thereby facilitate separation of aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR). The amendment at Pella Municipal Airport, IA, will provide additional controlled airspace for aircraft operating under IFR and revise the ARP. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9G, dated September 10, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Direct Final Rule Procedure

The FAA anticipates that this regulation will not result in adverse or negative comment and, therefore, is issuing it as a direct final rule. Previous actions of this nature have not been controversial and have not resulted in adverse comments or objections. The amendment will enhance safety for all flight operations by designating an area where VFR pilots may anticipate the presence of IFR aircraft at lower altitudes, especially during inclement weather conditions. A greater degree of safety is achieved by depicting the area on aeronautical charts. Unless a written adverse or negative comment, or a written notice of intent to submit an adverse or negative comment is received within the comment period, the regulation will become effective on the date specified above. After the close of the comment period, the FAA will publish a document in the Federal **Register** indicating that no adverse or negative comments were received and confirming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, an adverse or negative comment, or written notice of intent to submit such a comment, a document withdrawing the direct final rule will be published in the **Federal Register**, and a notice of proposed rulemaking may be published with a new comment period.

Comments Invited

Although this action is in the form of a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified under the caption ADDRESSES. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and this rule may be amended or withdrawn in light of the comments received. Factual information that supports the commenter's ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action would be needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the rule of that might suggest a need to modify the 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 that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this action will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this rule must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 00–ACE–26." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Agency Findings

The regulations adopted herein will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, it is determined that this final rule does not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

The FAA has determined that this regulation is noncontroversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. For the reasons discussed in the preamble, I certify that this regulation (1) is not a "sifnificant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "sigfnificant rule" under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, as amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

ACE IA E5 Pella, IA [Revised]

Pella Municipal Airport, IA (Lat. 41°24′00″ N., long. 92°56′45″ W.) Pella NDB

(Lat. 41°24′19" N., long 92°56′36" W.)

The airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7-mile radius of Pella Municipal Airport and within 2.6 miles each side of the 175° bearing from the Pella NDB extending from the 7.0-mile radius to 9 miles south of the airport.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on September 5,2000.

Herman J. Lyons, Jr.,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region. [FR Doc. 00–23812 Filed 9–15–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

15 CFR Part 960

[Docket No. 951031259-9279-03] RIN 0648-AC64

Licensing of Private Land Remote-Sensing Space Systems

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Interim final rule: extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On July 31, 2000, The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) published its Interim Final Rule revising the agency's minimum requirements for the licensing, monitoring and compliance of operations of private Earth remote sensing space systems in the Federal Register (65 FR 46822–46837). At that time, comments to the interim final rule were requested no later than September 29, 2000. Due to several requests for an extension of the public comment period, the comment period has been extended until October 30, 2000.

DATES: Comments must be received by October 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to, Charles Wooldridge, NOAA, National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service, 1335 East-West