

## Cost Impact

There are approximately 605 airplanes of U.S. registry that would be affected by this proposed AD. It would take approximately 1 work hour per airplane to accomplish the proposed revision to the ALS, at an average labor rate of \$65 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$39,325, or \$65 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the proposed requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted. The cost impact figures discussed in AD rulemaking actions represent only the time necessary to perform the specific actions actually required by the AD. These figures typically do not include incidental costs, such as the time required to gain access and close up, planning time, or time necessitated by other administrative actions.

## Regulatory Impact

The regulations proposed herein would 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 proposal would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under the 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. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

## List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

## The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part

39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

## PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

### § 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

**Airbus:** Docket 2000–NM–70–AD.

**Applicability:** All Model A319, A320, and A321 series airplanes; certificated in any category.

**Compliance:** Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To ensure continued structural integrity of these airplanes, accomplish the following:

### Airworthiness Limitations Revision

(a) For all airplanes: Within 2 months after the effective date of this AD, revise the Airworthiness Limitations Section (ALS) of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness by incorporating into the ALS sub-Section 9–1–2, "Life Limits/Monitored Parts," and sub-Section 9–1–3, "Demonstrated Fatigue Life Parts," both Revision 06, dated June 13, 2003, of the Airbus A318/A319/A320/A321 Maintenance Planning Document.

(b) For all airplanes except Model A319 series airplanes on which Airbus Modification 28238, 28162, and 28342 was incorporated during production: Within 2 months after the effective date of this AD, revise the ALS of the Instructions for Continued Airworthiness by incorporating into the ALS sub-Section 9–2, "Airworthiness Limitation Items," Revision 6, dated June 13, 2003, or the Airbus A318/A319/A320/A321 Maintenance Planning Document (MPD); and Airbus A318/A319/A320/A321 Airworthiness Limitation Items AI/SE–M4/95A.0252/96, Issue 6, dated May 15, 2003 (approved by the Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (DGAC) on July 15, 2003).

(c) Except as provided by paragraph (d) of this AD: After the actions specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this AD have been accomplished, no alternative life limits, inspections, or inspection intervals may be approved for the structural elements specified in the documents listed in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this AD.

### Alternative Methods of Compliance

(d) In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, is authorized to approve alternative methods of compliance for this AD.

**Note 1:** The subject of this AD is addressed in French airworthiness directive F–2004–018, dated February 4, 2004; and in French airworthiness directive F–2004–032, dated February 18, 2004.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on March 2, 2004.

**Ali Bahrami,**

*Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

### 26 CFR Part 1

[REG–136890–02]

**RIN 1545–BA90**

### Transfers To Provide for Satisfaction of Contested Liabilities; Hearing

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Cancellation of notice of public hearing on proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides notice of cancellation of a public hearing on proposed rulemaking relating to transfers to provide for satisfaction of contested liabilities.

**DATES:** The public hearing originally scheduled for Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at 10 a.m. is cancelled.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Guy R. Traynor, Procedures and Administration, Publications & Regulations Branch, at (202) 622–3693 (not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing that appeared in the **Federal Register** on November 21, 2003 (68 FR 65645), announced that a public hearing was scheduled for March 23, 2004 at 10 a.m., in the auditorium of the Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The subject of the public hearing is proposed regulations under section 461 of the Internal Revenue Code. The public comment period for these proposed regulations expired on February 19, 2004.

The notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing, instructed those interested in testifying at the public hearing to submit a request to speak and an outline of topics to be addressed by March 2, 2004. As of March 8, 2004, no one has requested to speak. Therefore, the public hearing

scheduled for March 23, 2004 is cancelled.

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Publications & Regulations Branch, Legal  
Processing Division, Associate Chief Counsel  
(Procedures & Administration).

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### 26 CFR Part 1

[REG-115471-03]

RIN 1545-BC03

#### New Markets Tax Credit Amendments

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking by cross-reference to temporary regulations and notice of public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** In the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the **Federal Register**, the IRS is issuing revised temporary regulations relating to the new markets tax credit. The text of those regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations. This document also provides notice of a public hearing on these proposed regulations.

**DATES:** Written or electronic comments must be received by May 10, 2004. Outlines of topics to be discussed at the public hearing scheduled for Wednesday, June 2, 2004, must be received by May 10, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Send submissions to: CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG-115471-03), room 5203, Internal Revenue Service, POB 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Alternatively, submissions may be hand delivered Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to: CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG-115471-03), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, or sent electronically via the IRS Internet site at <http://www.irs.gov/regs>. The public hearing will be held in IRS Auditorium, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Concerning the regulations, Paul F. Handleman or Lauren R. Taylor, (202) 622-3040; concerning submission of comments, the hearing, and/or to be placed on the building access list to attend the hearing, Lanita Van Dyke, (202) 622-7180 (not toll-free numbers).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Temporary regulations in the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the **Federal Register** amend the Income Tax Regulations (26 CFR part 1) relating to section 45D. The temporary regulations provide guidance for taxpayers claiming the new markets tax credit under section 45D. The text of those regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations. The preamble to the temporary regulations explains the amendments.

##### Special Analyses

It has been determined that this notice of proposed rulemaking is not a significant regulatory action as defined in Executive Order 12866. Therefore, a regulatory assessment is not required. It also has been determined that section 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 5) does not apply to these regulations, and because the regulations do not impose a new collection of information on small entities, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 6) does not apply.

Pursuant to section 7805(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, this notice of proposed rulemaking will be submitted to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration for comment on their impact on small business.

##### Comments and Public Hearing

Before these proposed regulations are adopted as final regulations, consideration will be given to any written comments (a signed original and eight (8) copies) or electronic comments that are submitted timely to the IRS. Comments are requested on all aspects of the proposed regulations. In addition, the IRS and Treasury Department specifically request comments on the clarity of the proposed regulations and how they can be revised to be more easily understood. All comments will be available for public inspection and copying.

A public hearing has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at 10 a.m. in the IRS Auditorium, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC. All visitors must present photo identification to enter the building. Because of access restrictions, visitors will not be admitted beyond the immediate entrance area at the Constitution Avenue entrance more than 30 minutes before the hearing starts. For information about having your name placed on the building access list to attend the hearing, see the

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this preamble.

The rules of 26 CFR 601.601(a)(3) apply to the hearing.

Persons who wish to present oral comments at the hearing must submit written comments and an outline of the topics to be discussed and the time to be devoted to each topic (preferably a signed original and eight (8) copies) by May 10, 2004. A period of 10 minutes will be allotted to each person for making comments. An agenda showing the scheduling of the speakers will be prepared after the deadline for receiving outlines has passed. Copies of the agenda will be available free of charge at the hearing.

##### Drafting Information

The principal author of these regulations is Paul F. Handleman, Office of the Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs and Special Industries), IRS. However, other personnel from the IRS and Treasury Department participated in their development.

##### List of Subjects in 26 CFR Part 1

Income taxes, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

##### Proposed Amendments to the Regulations

Accordingly, 26 CFR part 1 is proposed to be amended as follows:

#### PART 1—INCOME TAXES

**Paragraph 1.** The authority citation for part 1 continues to read in part as follows:

**Authority:** 26 U.S.C. 7805 \* \* \*

**Par. 2.** Section 1.45D-1 is amended as follows:

##### § 1.45D-1 New markets tax credit.

[The text of the amendments to this proposed section is the same as the text of the amendments to "1.45D-1T published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.]

**Mark E. Matthews,**

Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement.

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