

DATES: This notice is effective April 30, 2014 and applicable April 11, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victor Globa, Environmental Protection Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Los Angeles Airports District Office, Mailing Address: P.O. Box 92007, Los Angeles, California 90009–2007. Street Address: 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Room 3000, Hawthorne, California 90261. Telephone: 310/725–3637. Documents reflecting this FAA action may be reviewed at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces that the FAA finds that the noise exposure maps submitted for Hawthorne Municipal Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements of 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 150 (hereinafter referred to as “Part 150”), effective April 11, 2014. Under 49 U.S.C. section 47503 of the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”), an airport operator may submit to the FAA noise exposure maps which meet applicable regulations and which depict non-compatible land uses as of the date of submission of such maps, a description of projected aircraft operations, and the ways in which such operations will affect such maps. The Act requires such maps to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties in the local community, government agencies, and persons using the airport. An airport operator who has submitted noise exposure maps that are found by FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of Part 150, promulgated pursuant to the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval which sets forth the measures the operator has taken or proposes to take to reduce existing non-compatible uses and prevent the introduction of additional non-compatible uses.

The FAA has completed its review of the noise exposure maps and accompanying documentation submitted by the City of Hawthorne. The documentation that constitutes the “Noise Exposure Maps” as defined in section 150.7 of Part 150 includes: “Exhibit 1, 2012 Noise Contour (Existing Condition);” “Exhibit 2, 2017 Noise Contours (Forecast Condition).” The FAA has determined that these Noise Exposure Maps and accompanying documentation are in compliance with applicable requirements. This determination is effective on April 11, 2014.

FAA’s determination on an airport operator’s noise exposure maps is limited to a finding that the maps were

developed in accordance with the procedures contained in Appendix A of Part 150. Such determination does not constitute approval of the applicant’s data, information or plans, or a commitment to approve a noise compatibility program or to fund the implementation of that program. If questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on a noise exposure map submitted under section 47503 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the noise exposure maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of section 47506 of the Act. These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through FAA’s review of noise exposure maps. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the map depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator that submitted those maps, or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under section 47503 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under section 150.21 of Part 150, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

Copies of the full noise exposure map documentation and of the FAA’s evaluation of the maps are available for examination at the following locations:

Federal Aviation Administration,
Western-Pacific Region Office,
Airports Division, Room 3012, 15000
Aviation Boulevard, Hawthorne,
California 90261.

Federal Aviation Administration, Los
Angeles Airports District Office,
Room 3000, 15000 Aviation
Boulevard, Hawthorne, California
90261.

Hawthorne Municipal Airport, 12101
South Crenshaw Boulevard, Suite #3,
Hawthorne, California 90250.

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Issued in Hawthorne, California, April 11, 2014.

Mark A. McClardy,
Manager, Airports Division, Western-Pacific
Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE–2014–25]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public’s awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA’s regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before May 20, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA–2014–0161 using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.

- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202–493–2251.

- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy: We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket Web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or

signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dale Williams (202) 493-5174, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Lirio Liu,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2014-0161.

Petitioner: Southwest Airlines Company.

Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 119.49(a)(4)(ii).

Description of Relief Sought: Southwest seeks relief as it relates to the domestic and flag operations operating to airports not listed in the Operation Specification (OpSpec) C070. In addition, Southwest would like to conduct non-scheduled operations at airports not listed in OpSpec C070 in accordance with the regulations applicable to domestic or flag operations, as appropriate, provided certain provisions and limitations are met.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2014-0029]

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated March 15, 2014, Canadian National Railway (CN) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 213, Track Safety Standards. FRA assigned the

petition Docket Number FRA-2014-0015.

Pursuant to 49 CFR Section 213.113(a), *Defective rails*, CN requests a waiver from the accepted practice of stop/start rail testing to start a pilot test process of nonstop continuous testing. The projected starting date for implementing the test process will be July 1, 2014, for a period of 1 year. The test process will occur on the main tracks between Chicago, IL, and Jackson, MS. The test process will start on the Chicago Subdivision and test in a southward direction and include the Yazoo Subdivision. At that point, the nonstop test unit will be turned and return to the Chicago area to start the test southward again.

For this pilot test, the process will be similar to the waiver granted to CSX Transportation in Docket Number FRA-2011-0107. CN will not have parallel or redundant stop/start testing on the segments being tested in a nonstop process. CN will produce a report on a bimonthly basis for FRA's Rail Integrity Division. This report will include the inservice rail failure ratios per 49 CFR part 213, a report on the miles tested, and the frequency of testing.

CN currently tests this route on an approximate frequency of every 30 days and plans to increase the frequency to 20 days with this process. The nonstop continuous rail testing unit will be capable of testing of speeds between 20 and 45 mph. The process will start using a hi-rail truck working in nonstop mode and later in 2014 switch to a self-propelled unit capable of testing at speeds up to 45 mph. The data will be analyzed from a remote location facility by experts with experience in reviewing rail flaw detection test data. The field verification of suspect defects will be conducted using portable hand-testing units that are equipped with a global positioning system and a recordable data system. The portable units will test 60 feet on either side of the suspect indication and if a suspect location is confirmed to be a defect, proper remedial actions shall be applied in accordance with 49 CFR 213.113. As part of this waiver, CN requests 48 hours from the time of the test to verify potential suspect locations in the field.

CN believes that nonstop continuous rail testing will provide the capability to test track more quickly and frequently and minimize the risk of rail service failures.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200

New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2014-0029) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- **Web site:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- **Fax:** 202-493-2251.
- **Mail:** Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- **Hand Delivery:** 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by June 16, 2014 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). See <http://www.regulations.gov/#/privacyNotice> for the privacy notice of regulations.gov or interested parties may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477).

Robert C. Lauby,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.

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