Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

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Petitions for Exemption

Docket No.: 29042.

Petitioner: Schwartz Engineering Company.

Regulations Affected: 25.807(d)(7). Description of Petition: Schwartz Engineering Company requested an exemption from the requirements of 25.807(d)(7) of the FAR to permit a privately owned, executive configured 757–24QER, S/N 28463, N–757MA, carrying 41 passengers and a crew of 6 to have more than 60 feet between exit doors. On December 18, 1997, a Temporary Grant of Exemption (No. 6710) was issued to Schwartz Engineering from these requirements. Comments are invited on making this a permanent grant.

Docket No.: 29098.

Petitioner: American Eagle Airlines. *Regulations Affected:* 25.562(c)(5).

Description of Petition: American Eagle Airlines requests a temporary partial exemption from the requirements of 14 CFR § 25.562(c)(5) for the Head Injury Criteria (HIC) with respect to the front row seats and the emergency row exit seats on Embraer EMB–145, a regional jet.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 28946.
Petitioner: Construcciones
Aeronauticas, S.A.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 25.571(e)(1), Amendment 25–72.

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit certification of the CASA C-295 airplane using Vc at sea level, or .85 Vc at 8,000 ft., whichever is greater.

Grant, December 12, 1997, Exemption No. 6708.

Docket No.: 25559.

Petitioner: Aerospace Industries Association of America, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 21.182(a) and 45.11(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit aircraft manufacturers to manufacture aircraft for the use in operations conducted under 14 CFR part 121 or part 127 or for commuter air carrier operations (as defined in 14 CFR part 135 or Special Federal Aviation Regulation 38–2) and for the export without installing an identification plate during the production phase of the exterior of those aircraft. Grant, December 23, 1997, Exemption No. 4913E.

Docket No.: 21780.

Petitioner: Civil Air Patrol, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 61.118.

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit members of Civil Air Patrol (CAP) who are private pilots to continue to receive reimbursement for fuel, oil, and maintenance costs that are directly related to the performance of official CAP missions.

Denial, December 12, 1997, Exemption No. 6711.

Docket No.: 29103.

Petitioner: ERA Helicopter, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit ERA to operate three Sikorsky Model S-61N (S-61) helicopters, registration N561EH, Serial Number 61471, Serial Number 61808, and Serial Number 61257, currently owned by ERA, without those helicopters being equipped with an approved digital flight data recorder.

Grant, December 23, 1997, Exemption No. 6712.

Docket No.: 28905.

Petitioner: Petroleum Helicopters, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 35.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Petroleum Helicopters, Inc. (PHI), to place two Bell 214ST helicopters (Registration Nos. N59805 and N59806, Serial Nos. 28141 and 28140 respectively) and one Bell 412SP helicopter (Registration No. N142PH, Serial No. 33150) on PHI's Operations Specifications and to operate those aircraft in nonscheduled part 135 operations until August 18, 2001, without a digital flight data recorder installed in each of those aircraft.

Grant, December 24, 1997, Exemption No. 6713.

Docket No.: 28855.

Petitioner: Offshore Logistics, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Offshore to operate certain multiengine, turbinepowered rotorcraft with seating configurations of 10 to 19 seats, excluding any required crewmember seat, that were brought onto the U.S. register after, or were registered outside the U.S. and added to Offshore's Operations Specifications after August 18, 1997, without an approved digital flight data recorder.

Grant, December 29, 1997, Exemption No. 6714.

Docket No.: 28289.

Petitioner: Carver Aero, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Carver to operate its Piper Aztec (Registration No. N561CA, Serial No. 27–7754005) and its Beechcraft Queen Air (Registration No. N566CA, Serial No. LJ–184) without a TSO–C112 (Mode S) transponder installed.

Grant, December 29, 1997, Exemption No. 6229A.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Special Committee 192; National Airspace Review Planning and Analysis

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for the Special Committee 192 meeting to be held January 21–22, 1998, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the FAA Western-Pacific Regional Headquarters, 1500 Aviation Boulevard, Hawthorne, CA 90261. The FAA contact is Ms. Yvette Evans, at (310) 725–6608 (phone).

The agenda will be as follows: January 21: (1) Plenary Session (9:00-10:00 a.m.): (a) Chairman's Introductory Remarks; (b) Approval of Proposed Meeting Agenda; (c) Review and Approval of Summary of the Previous Meeting; (2) Report from Design and Infrastructure Work Group; (3) Report from Modeling and Measurement Work Group; (4) Identify Work Group Actions. January 22: (5) Plenary Session (9:00– 9:30 a.m.): Summarize Work Group Actions; (6) Split Out into Work Groups; (7) Plenary Session (1:00–5:00 p.m.): (a) Work Group Summation; (b) Develop and Recommend Interim Product; (c) Other Business; (d) Set Agenda for Next Meeting; (e) Data and Place of Next Meeting.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the RTCA Secretariat, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036; (202) 833–9339 (phone); (202) 833–9434 (fax); or http://www.rtca.org (web site). Members of the public may

present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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Janice L. Peters,

Designated Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent to Rule on Application to Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Corpus Christi International Airport, Corpus Christi, Texas

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of intent to rule on

application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Corpus Christi International Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158). DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 9, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate copies to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0610.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Ms. Bonnie Allin, Director of Aviation, at the following address: Ms. Bonnie Allin, Director of Aviation, City of Corpus Christi, 1000 International Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78406-1801

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of the written comments previously provided to the Airport under Section 158.23 of part

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Ben Guttery, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, Fort Worth, Texas 76193–0610, (817) 222-5614.

The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Corpus Christi International Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

On December 15, 1997, the FAA determined that the application to compose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Airport was substantially complete within the requirements of Section 158.25 of part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than April 18, 1998.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

Level of the proposed PFC: \$3.00. Proposed charge effective date: April 1, 1998.

Proposed charge expiration date: March 1, 2017.

Total estimated PFC revenue: \$33,887,996.00.

PFC application number: 98-02-C-00-CRP

Brief description of proposed projects:

Projects to Impose and Use PFC'S

- 1. Lighting Control (EMCS)
- 2. ADA Compliance/Safety Enhancement
- 3. Canopy Expansion and Enhancement
- 4. Structural Repair to Terminal Building
- 5. Land Acquisition Environmental Assessment
- 6. Airport Planning Studies
- 7. Runway 17-35 Rehabilitation
- 8. Runway 13–31 Repairs/Drainage
- 9. Landside Roadway System Reconstruction
- 10. Runway 13-31 Extension **Environmental Assessment**
- 11. Airfield Drainage Improvements 12. Airfield Equipment Storage Facility
- 13. Airfield Lighting Monitoring and Control System
- 14. Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) **Improvements**
- 15. Commercial Apron Rehabilitation
- 16. Commercial Apron Expansion17. Access Control System Replacement
- 18. Taxiway G Lighting and Paving and West ĞA Apron
- 19. Taxiway F Extension
- Aircraft Rescue Vehicle
- 21. Vacuum Sweeper
- 22. Passenger Lift Device
- 23. PFC Program Formulation Costs
- 24. Environmental Assessment (Stormwater)

Proposed class or classes of air carriers to be exempted from collecting PFC's:

FAR part 135 air charter operators who operate aircraft with a seating capacity of less than 10 passengers.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT and at the FAA regional Airports office located at: Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Airports Division, Planning and Programming Branch, ASW-610D, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137-4298.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at Corpus Christi International Airport.

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Naomi L. Saunders,

Manager, Airports Division.

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION **AGENCY**

Foreign Language and Area Studies— U.S. Students and Scholars; Request for Proposals

ACTION: Notice; request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Office of Academic Programs of the United States Information Agency's Bureau of **Educational and Cultural Affairs** announces an open competition for an assistance award. Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501(c) may apply to develop and administer programs in cooperation with USIA that will assist U.S. citizens who are graduate students and postdoctoral scholars and who have a new or established interest in North African, Middle Eastern and South Asian studies. Activities permitted under this program include foreign language training, foreign area studies and foreign area research for periods ranging from two to twenty-four months abroad.

Overall grant-making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual **Educational and Cultural Exchange Act** of 1961, Pub. L. 87–256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries * * *; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests,