

with the following terms of reference: "To develop guidelines on the application of the precautionary approach as set out in Principle 15 of the Rio Declaration, as well as paragraphs 17.21 and 17.22 of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Agenda 21, in the context of specific IMO activities, and to report to the MEPC at its thirty-seventh session".

Work was carried out intersessionally to identify a working method to internalize the application of the precautionary approach. This work was carried into the 36th Session of the MEPC in November, 1994 where a drafting group developed draft "Guidelines on the Application of the Precautionary Approach in the Context of Specific IMO Activities". In this draft, the precautionary approach is further elaborated for the purpose of IMO. Additionally, the drafting group developed a draft "Framework for Implementation of the Precautionary Approach within the Programs and Activities of IMO" which provides a working method to be used by IMO Committees, Sub-Committees, Working Groups and other IMO bodies to internalize the precautionary approach into the process of policymaking and management.

The draft Guidelines and Framework are the subject of further consideration by the intersessional correspondence group, working toward tabling these documents at the 37th Session of the MEPC.

Input or comments from the public meeting will be considered by members of the U.S. correspondence group in finalizing the U.S. position on these documents. For further information or copies of the drafts, contact the project officer, Commander Mike Farley, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters (G-MEP-3), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, Telephone: (202) 267-2850.

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Charles A. Mast,
Chairman, Shipping Coordinating Committee.
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[Public Notice 2194]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW); Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 10 am on Tuesday, June 13,

1995, in Room 2415 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the Conference of Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW Conference). Preparations for the International Conference on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel (STCW-F Conference) will also be discussed. These Conferences are being convened by the International Maritime Organization (IMO), in London, from June 26 to July 7, 1995.

The STCW Conference is being held to consider adoption of amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW Convention). The United States became a party to this convention in 1991; and 107 countries are now parties.

The proposed amendments to the STCW Convention were prepared by the IMO Sub-Committee on Standards of Training and Watchkeeping and were approved for circulation by the sixty-fourth session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee.

Items of particular interest include—

- The role of IMO in overseeing compliance with convention requirements;
- Basic safety and familiarization training for all shipboard personnel;
- Standards of competence based on demonstration of skills;
- Use of simulation in training and assessment;
- Quality assurance in training, assessment and certification;
- Alternative, function-based certification systems;
- Principles to be observing in keeping a watch;
- Prevention of fatigue; and
- Port State control.

The STCW-F Conference is being held to consider adoption of a new convention which would apply to fishing vessel personnel. Fishing vessels are excluded from the scope of application of the STCW Convention.

Items of particular interest include—

- Certification requirements for skippers, deck watch officers and engineers on seagoing fishing vessels of 24 meters or more in length; and
- Prospects of U.S. ratification of this new instrument.

Members of the public may attend the meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing: Mr. Christopher

Young, U.S. Coast Guard (G-MVP-4), Room 1210, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-0229.

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[Public Notice 2192]

Shipping Coordinating Committee; International Maritime Organization (IMO) Legal Committee; Meeting

The U.S. Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 10 a.m., on Thursday, May 18, 1995, in Room 2415 of U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC. The purpose of this meeting is to report on the 72nd Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Legal Committee held April 3-7, 1995, and to begin preparations for the 73rd Session to be held October 9-13, 1995.

To facilitate the attendance of those participants who may be interested in only certain aspects of the public meeting, the first subject addressed will be the draft International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea (HNS Convention). The second major subject, which will be considered at approximately 11:30 a.m., will be possible revisions to the 1976 Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims ('76 LLMC).

The current draft of the HNS Convention imposes strict liability upon the shipowner with an additional international fund (second-tier fund) modeled after the International Oil Pollution Compensation Fund. The draft HNS Convention provides compensation for environmental damage as well as personal injury, death, and property damage from a broad range of substances. At the 72nd Session, the Legal Committee finalized decisions on several major issues regarding the draft HNS Convention. Other issues will remain open for the diplomatic conference, which is tentatively scheduled for Spring 1996. The 72nd Session was the last session of the Legal Committee to discuss the HNS Convention before the diplomatic conference. The views of the public are requested.

The Legal Committee resumed deliberations on the '76 LLMC at the 72nd Session. Discussion centered on a draft protocol which provides for raising

the limits of liability and a streamlined tacit amendment procedure, and several key decisions were made regarding limits for passenger claims. The protocol to the '76 LLMC will also be the subject of the Spring 1996 diplomatic conference, on an equal priority with the HNS Convention. Therefore, the 72nd session was also the last session of the Legal Committee to discuss substantive revisions to the '76 LLMC. Although the United States has not ratified the '76 LLMC, interests within the United States—such as owners of foreign flag vessels and passengers on foreign flag vessels—may be affected by changes to the Convention. The views of the public are requested.

At the 73rd Session of the Legal Committee, preliminary negotiations will take place regarding an international convention on offshore mobile craft and an international convention on wreck removal. The eighth session of the Joint Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Maritime Liens and Mortgages will meet October 9–10, the first two days of the 73rd Session of the Legal Committee, to finalize a draft international convention on the arrest of ships.

Members of the public are invited to attend the SHC meeting, up to the seating capacity of the room. For further information or to submit views concerning the subjects of discussion, contact either Captain David J. Kantor or Lieutenant Commander Steve D. Poulin, U.S. Coast Guard (G-LMI), 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593, telephone (202) 267-1527, telefax (202) 267-4496.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-95-19]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions

for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. 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 any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before May 17, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No. _____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: nprmcmts@mail.hq.faa.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. D. Michael Smith, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-7470.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (c), (e), and (g) of § 11.27 of Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

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Petitions for Exemption

Docket No.: 124CE
Petitioner: Air Tractor, Inc.
Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 23.562(d)

Description of Relief Sought: To permit certification of the AT-602, which will have a stall speed (V_{so}) greater than the 61-knot requirement.

Docket No.: 27824
Petitioner: Aaron C. Bornstein, M.D.
Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 61.113(a)(2) and/or 61.131(a)(2)
Description of Relief Sought: To permit Dr. Bornstein to take the written and

practical tests to add a private rotorcraft category rating to his commercial pilot certificate without having logged the required solo flight time, or to add a commercial pilot rotorcraft rating to his certificate without the required pilot-in-command flight time.

Docket No.: 28068

Petitioner: Bombardier, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.211(b)(1)(ii)

Description of Relief Sought: To permit operation of Canadier Global Express aircraft at altitudes above 41,000 feet mean sea level without requiring that at least one pilot at the controls of the airplane wear an oxygen mask.

Docket No.: 28080

Petitioner: Mr. Joseph J. Hass

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.383(c)

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Mr. Hass to act as a pilot in operations conducted under part 121 of the FAR after reaching his 60th birthday.

Docket No.: 28082

Petitioner: Mr. William H. Poarch

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.383(c)

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Mr. Poarch to act as a pilot in operations conducted under part 121 of the FAR after reaching his 60th birthday.

Docket No.: 28088

Petitioner: Mark Air, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 121.481 and 121.483

Description of Relief Sought: To allow Mark Air, Inc., to conduct all of its operations under the flight time limitations and rest requirements for domestic air carriers instead of the flight time limitations and rest requirements for a combination of flag and domestic air carriers.

Docket No.: 28169

Petitioner: Aviation Technologies, Inc.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 141.35(b)(3) and (d)(3)

Description of Relief Sought: To permit Aviation Technologies, Inc., to designate Mr. Richard A. Fischer to serve as chief flight instructor without meeting certain experience requirements for such a designation.

Disposition of Petitions

Docket No.: 24187

Petitioner: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.159(a) and 91.209(a) Description of Relief Sought/Disposition: To extend Exemption No. 3596, as amended, which allows the Florida Department of Law Enforcement relief from the