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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FAA has established an Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee to provide advice and recommendations to the FAA Administrator, through the Associate Administrator for Regulation and Certification, on the full range of the FAA's rulemaking activities with respect to aviation-related issues. This includes obtaining advice and recommendations on the FAA's commitment to harmonize its Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) and practices with its trading partners in Europe and Canada.

One area ARAC deals with its Aircraft Certification Procedures Issues. These issues involve the regulatory standards and procedures for aircraft certification found in 14 CFR parts 21, 39, and 183 and Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 36.

The Tasks

This notice is to inform the public that the FAA has asked ARAC to provide advice and recommendation on the following harmonization tasks:

Task 1. Review the public comments received on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) 97-7, which proposes to amend the procedural Federal Aviation Regulations for the certification of changes to type certificated products, and develop recommendations regarding the disposition of those comments. The review and recommendations must take into account the public comments received by the Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) regarding JAA Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) 21.7. Prepare a recommended final rule for NPRM 97-7 that the JAA could adopt as its rule and that is harmonized with the FAA's rule. Forward the final recommendations to the FAA.

Task 2. Develop a training syllabus for a common training course between the FAA and JAA and assist the FAA and JAA training personnel with the training program material.

The FAA expects ARAC to complete these tasks by March 2, 1998.

The FAA has asked that ARAC prepare the necessary documents, including economic analysis, to justify and carry out its recommendations.

ARAC Acceptance of Tasks

ARAC has accepted the tasks and has chosen to assign them to the existing International Certification Procedures Working Group. The working group serves as staff to ARAC to assist ARAC

in the analysis of the assigned task. Working group recommendations must be reviewed and approved by ARAC. If ARAC accepts the working group's recommendations, it forwards them to the FAA as ARAC recommendations.

Working Group Activity

The International Certification Procedures Working Group is expected to comply with the procedures adopted by ARAC. As part of the procedures, the working group is expected to:

1. Recommend a work plan for completion of the tasks, including the rationale supporting such a plan, for consideration at the meeting of ARAC to consider Aircraft Certification Procedures Issues held following publication of this notice.

2. Give a detailed conceptual presentation of the proposed recommendations, prior to proceeding with the work stated in item 3 below.

3. For each task, draft appropriate regulatory documents with supporting economic and other required analyses, and/or any other related guidance material or collateral documents the working group determines to be appropriate; or, if new or revised requirements or compliance methods are not recommended, a draft report stating the rationale for not making such recommendations.

4. Provide a status report at each meeting of ARAC held to consider Aircraft Certification Procedures Issues

Participation in the Working Group

The International Certification Procedures Working Group is composed of experts having an interest in the assigned task. A working group member need not be a representative of a member of the full committee.

The Secretary of Transportation has determined that the formation and use of ARAC are necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the FAA by law.

Meetings of ARAC will be open to the public, except as authorized by section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meetings of the International Certification Procedures Working Group will not be open to the public, except to the extent that individuals with an interest and expertise have been selected to participate. No public announcement of working group meetings will be made.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA, Inc. Joint Special Committee 182; Minimum Operational Performance Standards (MOPS) for an Avionics Computer Resource

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for Special Committee (SC)-182 meeting to be held October 22-24, 1997, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at RTCA, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 1020, Washington, DC 20036.

The agenda will include: (1) Chairman's Introductory Remarks; (2) Review and Approval of Meeting Reports: a. Previous Joint Meeting; b. Working Group 48 Meeting; (3) SC-182 Work Program and Schedule: a. Is the need for an ACR MOPS real? b. Are equipment manufacturers committed to the concept? c. Development of a schedule to complete the MOPS not later than December 1998, if interest prevails. (4) Comments to MOPS Draft 1.0 (Web Site: <http://forums.americas.digital.com/avf/RTCA.SC182/dispatch.cgi>): Document Forums; Minimum Operational Performance Standards Draft Version of MOPS; MOPS 1.0 (Reformatted); (5) Discussion papers: a. Operation Goals and Applications (Web Site: Same as Above); Discussion forums; Certification/ Qualification Issues #3 Operational Goals and Applications; b. ARINC 653 APEX Partition Testing (Web Site: Same as Above); Discussion Forums; Architecture/System Services #7 Apex Partition Testing; (6) Status Report: a. Architecture/ System Services Working Group; b. Capacity and Performance Working Group; (7) Working Group Sessions; (8) working Group Reports; (9) Other Business; (10) Date and Place of Next Meeting.

Attendance is open to the interest 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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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA, Inc. Special Committee 147; Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment

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 a Special Committee (SC)-147 meeting to be held November 4-5, starting at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the MITRE Corporation, Wilson Building, Room 1B02, 7798 Old Springhouse Road, McLean, VA.

The agenda will be as follows: (1) Chairman's Introductory Remarks; (2) Review and Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting; (3) FAA Program Office Report; (4) Requirements Working Group Report; (5) Verification and Validation Presentations; (6) Review and Consideration of Proposed Changes to TCAS II MOPS, v. 7.0 (DO-185A); (7) Special Committee (SC)-186 Report: SC-186 Revised Terms of Reference; (8) FAA Program Office Report on the Use of ADS-B in TCAS; (9) Discussion of Future Work Plan for SC-147; (10) Date 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, D.C. 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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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. 96-073; No. 2]

Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

ACTION: Request for public comment on proposed collections of information.

SUMMARY: This document describes three collections of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval. Under new procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval to collect information from the public, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatements of previously approved collections. Each of the collections for which this document requests comment has been previously approved.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 5, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments must refer to the docket and notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to NHTSA's new Docket Management Facility, located on the Plaza Level of the Nassif Building at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL-01, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Please identify the proposed collection of information for which a comment is provided, by referencing its OMB Clearance Number. The DOT Docket is open to the public from 10 am to 5 pm, Mondays through Fridays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Complete copies of each request for collection of information may be obtained at no charge from Mr. Ed Kosek, NHTSA Information Collection Clearance Officer, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Room 6123, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Kosek's telephone number is (202) 366-2589. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Clearance Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing

what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulations (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks public comment on the following proposed collections of information:

Names and Addresses of First Purchasers of Motor Vehicles, 49 U.S.C. 30117(b)

Type of request—Reinstatement of clearance.

OMB Clearance Number—2127-0044.

Form Number—This collection of information uses no standard forms.

Requested Expiration Date of Approval—Three years after date of expiration of existing clearance.

Summary of the Collection of Information—By statute (49 U.S.C. 30117 (b) Maintaining Purchaser Records and Procedures), motor vehicle manufacturers are required to collect and retain the names and addresses of first purchasers of new motor vehicles, so that the manufacturer can directly notify those persons in the event the vehicle is recalled.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use of the Information—If there is a safety-related recall of the motor vehicle, the vehicle manufacturer needs to identify the first purchaser of the motor vehicle. Thus, the vehicle manufacturers will use the names and addresses to inform the first purchaser of the recall, and to explain what actions the purchaser should take.

Description of the Likely Respondents (Including Estimated Number and Proposed Frequency of Response to the Collection of Information)—The respondents are vehicle dealers which collect the information, and vehicle manufacturers which store the information. Since this practice of