Dated: November 9, 1998.

#### Robert C. Keeney.

Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs.

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## **FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION**

# 12 CFR Ch. VI

RIN 3052-AB85

## Statement on Regulatory Burden

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit Administration. **ACTION:** Notice of intent; comment period extension.

SUMMARY: The Farm Credit
Administration (FCA) Board extends the comment period on the Regulatory
Burden Notice for 60 more days so interested parties have additional time to identify those regulations and policies that impose unnecessary burdens on Farm Credit System (FCS) institutions.

**DATES:** Please send your comments to us on or before January 19, 1999.

ADDRESSES: You may mail or deliver comments to Patricia W. DiMuzio, Director, Regulation and Policy Division, Office of Policy and Analysis, Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090 or send them by facsimile transmission to (703) 734-5784. You may also submit comments via electronic mail to "reg-comm@fca.gov" or through the Pending Regulations section of the FCA's interactive website at "www.fca.gov." Copies of all communications received will be available for review by interested parties in the Office of Policy and Analysis, Farm Credit Administration.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Richard A. Katz, Senior Attorney, Regulatory Enforcement Division, Office of General Counsel, Farm Credit Administration, McLean, VA 22102–5090, (703) 883–4020, TDD (703) 883–4444.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 18, 1998, we published a notice in the **Federal Register** seeking information and guidance about how to reduce regulatory burdens on FCS institutions. The comment period will expire on November 20, 1998. *See* 63 FR 44176,

August 18, 1998. In response to a request, we now extend the comment period until January 19, 1999, so you will have more time to respond.

Dated: November 12, 1998.

## Floyd Fithian,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board. [FR Doc. 98–30810 Filed 11–17–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6705–01–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 98-NM-251-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737–100, –200, –300, –400, and –500 Series Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking

(NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to all Boeing Model 737–100, -200, -300, -400, and -500 series airplanes. This proposal would require a one-time inspection of the main landing gear (MLG) wheel assemblies to determine whether certain parts are installed, and follow-on corrective actions, if necessary. For certain airplanes, this proposal also would require eventual modification of MLG wheel assemblies. which would terminate the requirements of this AD. This proposal is prompted by incidents of multiple tie bolt failures on certain BFGoodrich wheel assemblies. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent failure of multiple tie bolts of MLG wheel assemblies, which could result in failure of the wheel rim, rapid release of tire pressure, and possible consequent damage to the airplane and injury to passengers and flightcrew. **DATES:** Comments must be received by January 4, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM–114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98–NM–251–AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from

BFGoodrich Aerospace, Aircraft Wheels and Brakes, P.O. Box 340, Troy, Ohio 45373. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Don Kurle, Senior Aerospace Engineer, Systems and Equipment Branch, ANM–130S, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–2798; fax (425) 227–1181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Comments Invited**

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications shall identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 98–NM–251–AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

# **Availability of NPRMs**

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 98-NM-251-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

#### Discussion

The FAA has received reports indicating that tie bolts have failed on certain BFGoodrich wheel assemblies that are installed on the main landing gear (MLG) of Boeing Model 737–100, –200, –300, –400, and –500 series airplanes. Most of the incidents of