species had become widely distributed in the United States. We did not receive any information on the distribution of any species of the genus *Homeria*, and, therefore, could not select that alternative.

This final rule contains no new information collection or recordkeeping requirements.

Executive Order 12372

This program/activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.025 and is subject to Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V.)

Executive Order 12988

This final rule has been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This rule: (1) Preempts all State and local laws and regulations that are inconsistent with this rule; (2) has no retroactive effect; and (3) does not require administrative proceedings before parties may file suit in court challenging this rule.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This final rule contains no new information collection or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

List of Subjects

7 CFR Part 360

Imports, Plants (Agriculture), Quarantine, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation, Weeds.

7 CFR Part 361

Agricultural commodities, Imports, Labeling, Quarantine, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Seeds, Vegetables, Weeds.

Accordingly, we are amending 7 CFR parts 360 and 361 as follows:

PART 360—NOXIOUS WEED REGULATIONS

1. The authority citation for part 360 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2803 and 2809; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(c).

§ 360.200 [Amended]

2. In § 360.200, paragraph (c) is amended by adding, in alphabetical order, an entry for "*Homeria* spp.".

PART 361—IMPORTATION OF SEED AND SCREENINGS UNDER THE FEDERAL SEED ACT

3. The authority citation for part 361 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1581–1610; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(c).

§ 361.6 [Amended]

4. In § 361.6, paragraph (a)(1) is amended by adding, in alphabetical order, an entry for "*Homeria* spp.".

Done in Washington, DC, this 19th day of May 2000.

Craig A. Reed,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

12 CFR Part 614

RIN 3052-AB87

Loan Policies and Operations; Participations; Effective Date

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration. **ACTION:** Notice of effective date.

SUMMARY: The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) published a final rule under part 614 on April 25, 2000 (65 FR 24101). This final rule deletes requirements for a Farm Credit System (Farm Credit or System) institution to provide notice to or seek consent from other System institutions when it buys participation interests in loans originated outside its chartered territory. Repealing these notice and consent requirements can help increase the flow and availability of agricultural credit and help diversify geographic and industry concentrations in the loan portfolios of Farm Credit banks and associations. As a result of this rule, a Farm Credit bank or association will no longer need approval from other System institutions when it buys participations in loans from non-System lenders. In accordance with 12 U.S.C. 2252, the effective date of the final rule is 30 days from the date of publication in the Federal Register during which either or both Houses of Congress are in session. Based on the records of the sessions of Congress, the effective date of the regulations is May 25, 2000.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The regulation amending 12 CFR part 614 published on April 25, 2000 (65 FR 24101) is effective May 25, 2000.

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(12 U.S.C. 2252(a)(9) and (10))

Dated: May 22, 2000.

Vivian L. Portis,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board. [FR Doc. 00–13191 Filed 5–24–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6705–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-SW-04-AD; Amendment 39-11729; AD 2000-10-05]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model SE.3160, SA.316B, SA.316C, SA.319B, SA330F, SA330G, SA330J, SA341G, and SA342J Helicopters

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD) that applies to Eurocopter France Model SE.3160, SA.316B, SA.316C, SA.319B, SA330F, SA330G, SA330J, SA341G, and SA342J helicopters. This AD requires inspecting each inflation head and union nut on certain emergency flotation gear nitrogen cylinders and replacing each cracked inflation head with an airworthy inflation head. This amendment is prompted by the discovery of cracked inflation heads during routine maintenance inspections of emergency flotation systems. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent an emergency flotation gear nitrogen cylinder from exploding with resultant high velocity shrapnel, which could cause airframe damage or personal injury and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

DATES: Effective June 29, 2000. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the

regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of June 29,

2000.