

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: January 11, 2008.

Description: Application of National Aviation Company of India Limited, d/b/a Air India requesting an amended foreign air carrier permit and exemption authority to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property, and mail from points behind India via India and intermediate points to a point or points in the United States and beyond.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2007-0126.

Date Filed: December 19, 2007.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: January 9, 2008.

Description: Application of Eos Airlines, Inc. requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in interstate scheduled air transportation of persons, property, and mail.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Airport Property Release at Griffin-Spalding County Airport, Griffin, GA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. Section 47153 (c), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from the City of Griffin to waive the requirement that approximately .649—acres of aeronautical property, located at the Griffin-Spalding County Airport, be used for aeronautical purposes.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 29, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this notice may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Atlanta Airports District Office, Attn: Anna Guss, Program Manager, 1701 Columbia Ave., Suite 2-260, Atlanta, GA 30337-2747.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to William P. Wilson, Jr., County Manager, Spalding County at the following address:

Spalding County, 119 Solomon St, Griffin, GA 30224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna Guss, Program Manager, Atlanta Airports District Office, 1701 Columbia Ave., Suite 2260, Atlanta, GA 30337-2747, (404) 305-7146. The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA is reviewing a request by the City of Griffin to release approximately .649 acres of aeronautical property at the Griffin-Spalding County Airport. The property consists of one parcel located adjacent to and north and west of the right of way at the intersection of SR 155 and Airport Road. This property is currently shown on the approved Airport Layout Plan as aeronautical use land; however, the property is currently not being used for aeronautical purposes, and the proposed use of this property is compatible with airport operations. The City will ultimately sell the property to the Georgia Department of Transportation who will utilize the property for purposes of right of way for both SR 155 and Airport Road, with proceeds of the sale providing funding for future airport development.

Any person may inspect the request in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

CONTACT. In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the request, notice and other documents germane to the request in person at the Griffin-Spalding County Airport.

Issued in Atlanta, Georgia on March 13, 2008.

Larry F. Clark,

Acting Manager, Atlanta Airports District Office, Southern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government

[Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0037]

The Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (Louisville Metro), seeks a permanent waiver of compliance from a certain provision of the Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings, 49 CFR Part 222. Louisville Metro intends to establish a Pre-Rule Quiet Zone that it had previously continued under the provisions of 49 CFR 222.41(c)(1). Louisville Metro is seeking a waiver to extend the mailing date for a Notice of Intent as provided in 49 CFR 222.41(c)(2)(i)(A) that states that the Notice of Intent must be mailed by February 24, 2008. The waiver petition requests that the Notice of Intent that Louisville Metro mailed on March 26, 2008, be accepted as a valid Notice of Intent even though it was mailed after February 24, 2008.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0037) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Fax: 202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register**

published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78).

Issued in Washington, DC on April 23, 2008.

Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA–2007–0026; Notice 2]

General Motors Corporation, Grant of Petition for Decision of Inconsequential Noncompliance

General Motors Corporation (GM) has determined that certain model year 2006 and 2007 motor vehicles equipped with remote start systems that it manufactured prior to May of 2007, did not fully comply with paragraph S7.3(a)(1) of 49 CFR 571.208, Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208 *Occupant Crash Protection*. On August 27, 2007, GM filed an appropriate report pursuant to 49 CFR part 573, *Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports* identifying approximately 146,360 model year 2006 and 2007 motor vehicles including Buick Lacrosse and Pontiac Grand Prix passenger cars; and Buick Terraza, Chevrolet Uplander, Pontiac Montana SV6 and Saturn Relay multipurpose passenger vehicles that do not comply with the paragraph of FMVSS No. 208 cited above.

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h) and the rule implementing those provisions at 49 CFR part 556, GM has petitioned for an exemption from the notification and remedy requirements of 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301 on the basis that this noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. Notice of receipt of the petition was published, with a 30-day public comment period, on November 9, 2007 in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 63653). No comments were received. To view the petition and all supporting documents log onto the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Web site at: <http://www.regulations.gov/>. Then follow the online search instructions to locate docket number “NHTSA–2007–0026.”

For further information on this decision, contact Mr. Charles Case, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), telephone

(202) 366–5319, facsimile (202) 366–5930.

GM certified these vehicles to paragraph S7.3(a)(1) of 49 CFR 571.208 which requires:

S7.3 (a) A seat belt assembly provided at the driver's seating position shall be equipped with a warning system that, at the option of the manufacturer, either—

(1) Activates a continuous or intermittent audible signal for a period of not less than 4 seconds and not more than 8 seconds and that activates a continuous or flashing warning light visible to the driver displaying the identifying symbol for the seat belt telltale shown in Table 2 of FMVSS 101 or, at the option of the manufacturer if permitted by FMVSS 101, displaying the words “Fasten Seat Belts” or “Fasten Belts”, for not less than 60 seconds (beginning when the vehicle ignition switch is moved to the “on” or the “start” position) when condition (b) exists simultaneously with condition (c)* * *

(b) The vehicle's ignition switch is moved to the “on” position or to the “start” position.

(c) The driver's lap belt is not in use, as determined, at the option of the manufacturer, either by the belt latch mechanism not being fastened, or by the belt not being extended at least 4 inches from its stowed position.

GM explains that under certain circumstances following a remote engine start that the seatbelt assembly warning system audible signal and/or the telltale warning light do not always activate as required to fully comply with FMVSS No. 208.

The vehicles in question fall into two groups. The first group contains only 2006 model year vehicles. The second group consists of a few late production 2006 multipurpose passenger vehicles and all the 2007 vehicles reported. For simplification, these groups are referenced hereafter as the 2006 and the 2007s.

GM states that when a subject vehicle's engine is started using the ignition key (not with remote start), three warning cycles are provided to unbelted occupants for the 2007 vehicles. The first warning cycle satisfies the requirements specified in FMVSS No. 208 S7.3(a)(1) for the unbuckled driver. The second and third cycles provide additional audible and telltale warnings, of the same duration required by the standard, for drivers who remain unbuckled. The 2006 vehicles receive only the first cycle of driver and passenger warnings. If at anytime the driver buckles, the warnings will cease.

GM additionally explains that in some cases, if the vehicle is started using the remote start function the seatbelt assembly warning system will not activate upon key rotation to the “RUN” position as specified by FMVSS No. 208

S7.3(a)(1). For both 2006 and 2007 vehicles following remote start, an audible warning will sound when the key is rotated to the “RUN” position, but the required telltale warning may not be provided. The length of the telltale warning for the first warning cycle is decreased by the amount of time between when the engine is started and when the key is turned to the “RUN” position. Therefore, a driver who uses the remote start and then quickly enters the vehicle and turns the key to “Run” will receive a visual warning for some period. However, a driver who uses the remote start but does not turn the key to “RUN” for a longer period will receive no visual warning unless the vehicle has the supplemental warning cycles. The driver, buckled or unbuckled, receives an audible warning except in the situation where the front passenger buckles between 25 and 33 seconds following the remote start (in effect buckling in response to the chime and silencing it before the driver enters the vehicle).

For the 2006 vehicles, as originally manufactured, there were no supplemental warning signal cycles. The 2007 vehicles were provided with an enhanced safety belt reminder system that will activate if front outboard occupants are not belted and the vehicle speed is above 5 miles per hour (mph). The 2007 vehicles will provide two cycles of audible and visual belt warning notice in such conditions.

GM also provided a detailed explanation of the reasons why it believes that the noncompliance is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

In summary, GM states that for all of the subject vehicles, the unbuckled driver receives a warning when the ignition key is turned to the “RUN” position essentially every time:

(1) When the vehicles are started with its ignition key, the required seat belt warnings are provided.

(2) When the 2007 vehicles and the upgraded¹ 2006 vehicles are started remotely, the unbuckled driver receives, at a minimum, the audible warning when the ignition key turned to the “RUN” position plus 2 cycles of visual and audible warning when the vehicle's speed reaches 5 mph.

(3) When the 2006 vehicles are started remotely, the unbuckled driver will receive, at a minimum, the audible warning.

¹ General Motors has initiated a Customer Satisfaction Program to upgrade the belt reminder system on the 2006 vehicles to provide three sets of warning cycles as implemented on the 2007 vehicles and has sent letters to the customers of those vehicles informing them about the upgrade.