

and resulting dependencies and vulnerabilities that create risks for certain critical downstream industries, as well as harm to U.S. semiconductor producers and foundries.

III. Request for Public Comments

You may submit written comments on any issue covered by the investigation. In particular, USTR invites comments regarding:

- China's acts, policies, and practices related to its targeting of the semiconductor industry for dominance.
- Anticompetitive and non-market means employed by the PRC in pursuit of its semiconductor industry targeting objectives, including political guidance, directives, and control within state and private enterprises, activities of state-owned or state-controlled enterprises, market access restrictions, opaque regulatory preferences and discrimination, wage-suppressing labor practices, massive state support of industry (including government guidance funds), and forced technology transfer (including state-directed cyber intrusions and cybertheft of intellectual property).
- Whether China's acts, policies, and practices are unreasonable or discriminatory.
- Whether China's acts, policies, and practices burden or restrict U.S. commerce, and if so, the nature and level of the burden or restriction. This would include economic assessments of the burden or restriction on semiconductors, semiconductor manufacturing including foundries, silicon carbide substrates or other wafers, and downstream products, with a particular focus on critical industries, such as defense, automotive, medical devices, aerospace, telecommunications, and power generation and the electrical grid.
- Whether China's acts, policies, and practices are actionable under section 301(b) of the Trade Act, and what action, if any, should be taken, including tariff and non-tariff actions.

To be assured of consideration, USTR must receive written comments by 11:59 p.m. EST on February 5, 2025. Additional instructions on how to submit written comments are provided below in Part V.

IV. Hearing Participation

The Section 301 Committee will convene a public hearing on March 11, 2025, and if needed, the hearing will continue on March 12, 2025. To testify at the hearing, you must submit a request to appear using the electronic portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>, following the instructions in Part V

below. Requests to appear must include a summary of testimony, and may be accompanied by a prehearing submission. Remarks at the hearing are limited to five minutes to allow for possible questions from the Section 301 Committee. All submissions must be in English. To be assured of consideration, USTR must receive your request to appear and summary of the testimony by February 24, 2025.

Post-hearing rebuttal comments, which should be limited to rebutting or supplementing testimony presented at the hearing, may be submitted within seven calendar days after the last day of the public hearing. Rebuttal comments must be submitted using the electronic portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>, following the instructions in Part V below.

V. Submissions Instructions

Interested persons must submit written comments, requests to appear at the hearing, summaries of testimony, and post-hearing rebuttal comments using the appropriate docket on the portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>. To make a submission, use the docket on the portal entitled 'Request for Comments on the Section 301 Investigation of China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Targeting of the Semiconductor Industry for Dominance,' docket number USTR-2024-0024. Interested persons wishing to provide testimony at the hearing must submit a notification of intent and summary of testimony using the docket entitled 'Request to Appear at the Hearing on the Section 301 Investigation of China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Targeting of the Semiconductor Industry for Dominance,' docket number USTR-2024-0025.

You do not need to establish an account to submit comments or a notification of intent to testify. The first screen allows you to enter identification and contact information. Third party organizations such as law firms, trade associations, or customs brokers should identify the full legal name of the organization they represent and identify the primary point of contact for the submission. Information fields are optional. However, USTR may not consider your comment or request if insufficient information is provided. Fields with a gray Business Confidential Information (BCI) notation are for BCI information that will not be made publicly available. Fields with a green (Public) notation will be viewable by the public. After entering the identification and contact information, you can complete the remainder of the comment,

or any portion of it, by clicking 'Next.' You may upload documents at the end of the form and indicate whether USTR should treat the documents as business confidential or public information. Any page containing BCI must be clearly marked 'BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL' on the top of that page and the submission should clearly indicate, via brackets, highlighting, or other means, the specific information that is BCI. If you request business confidential treatment, you must certify in writing that the information would not customarily be released to the public. Parties uploading attachments containing BCI also must submit a public version of their comments. If these procedures are not sufficient to protect BCI or otherwise protect business interests, please contact the USTR section 301 support line at 202.395.5725 to discuss whether alternative arrangements are possible. USTR will post attachments uploaded to the docket for public inspection, except for properly designated BCI. You can view submissions on USTR's electronic portal at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>.

Juan Millan,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No.: FAA-2024-2728; Summary Notice No. -2024-46]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Hermeus Corp.

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion nor omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before January 21, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number [FAA-2024-2728] using any of the following methods:

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.

• *Mail*: Send comments to Docket Operations, M–30; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W12–140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

• *Hand Delivery or Courier*: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

• *Fax*: Fax comments to Docket Operations at (202) 493–2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jake Troutman, (202) 267–2928, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591.

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Dan A. Ngo,

Manager, Part 11 Petitions Branch, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA–2024–2728.

Petitioner: Hermeus Corp.

Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected: 91.7(a); 91.151(a)(1); 91.403(b); 91.405(a); 91.407(a)(1); 91.409(a)(1) and (2); 91.417(a); 91.417(b).

Description of Relief Sought: Hermeus Corp. seeks relief to operate Hermeus Quarterhorse Mark 1 (QH Mk 1) unmanned aircraft system (UAS) to conduct developmental flight testing. The QH Mk 1 is a subsonic, fixed-wing, remotely-piloted aircraft with a

maximum takeoff weight (MTOW) of 9,500 pounds (lbs.) that will be used to demonstrate high-speed takeoff and landings. The QH Mk 1 is test vehicle that will inform the future development of a Hermeus hypersonic-capable aircraft. The flight testing will occur at Edwards Air Force Base (AFB), California in restricted airspace (R–2515) and over U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) controlled property.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2024–2754]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Aviation Insurance

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The collection involves obtaining information from air carriers to establish legally binding aviation war risk insurance policies with the FAA. The information to be collected is necessary to determine whether applicants are eligible for insurance and the amount of coverage necessary; populate insurance policies with business information; and meet conditions of coverage required by each insurance policy.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by February 28, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments:

By Electronic Docket: www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field).

By mail: Stacy Ditto, 4848 Lambs Knoll Road, Boonsboro, MD 21713.

By fax: 301–432–7901.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stacy Ditto by email at: stacy.m.ditto@faa.gov; phone: 301–432–3046.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's

performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120–0514.

Title: Aviation Insurance.

Form Numbers: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Renewal of an information collection.

Background: The FAA Aviation Insurance Program derives its authority from Title 49, United States Code, chapter 443 to issue aviation war risk insurance to air carriers with and without premium. FAA coverage is issued in support of mission objectives and operations when insurance is not available commercially on reasonable terms and conditions. Air carriers never insured must submit an application before the FAA can provide coverage. Applicants provide business information, aircraft to be covered by the policy, and information about commercial insurance policies. As a condition of FAA coverage, air carriers must submit any changes to the initial application information as necessary. Air carriers must also provide a copy of their current commercial insurance policy on an ongoing basis, as well as information for any new aircraft the air carrier would like to add to the FAA policy. This information is provided electronically to the FAA through a web-based system. The information is used to form the insurance policy between the FAA and the air carrier.

Respondents: Air carriers applying for aviation insurance and updating required information.

Frequency: Initial one-time application and updates to application information 1–2 times per year.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: Initial application—4 hours; commercial policy submission—10 minutes; business information update—5 minutes; and aircraft schedule update—2 minutes per aircraft.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 10 minutes to 4 hours per respondent. Cumulative total 158 hours (maximum).

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