

Program (WGP) for Chicago O'Hare International Airport in Chicago, Illinois. The WGP is a comprehensive effort by the city of Chicago to provide improved terminal space, additional parking, taxiway improvements, cargo support facilities, and Airport roadway access improvements. The City of Chicago Department of Aviation has made a decision to initiate the preparation of an Environmental Assessment. The FAA has offered to facilitate the environmental review process by soliciting scoping comments from Federal, State and local agencies. If during the environmental review process the FAA finds that no significant adverse environmental impacts are associated with the proposed actions, then a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) would be issued. If the FAA finds that significant adverse impacts would be associated with the proposed actions, an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

City of Chicago Department of Aviation—Carol Wilinski, City of Chicago Department of Aviation, Chicago O'Hare International Airport, P.O. Box 66142, Chicago, Illinois, 60666. Ms. Wilinski can be contacted at (773) 894-6900 (voice), (773) 686-3743 (facsimile), or by e-mail at WGP_ENVIRONMENT@OHARE.COM.

Federal Aviation Administration (for informational purposes)—Prescott C. Snyder, Airports Environmental Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Chicago Airports District Office, Room 320, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018. Mr. Snyder can be contacted at (847) 294-7538 (voice), (847) 294-7046 (facsimile) or by e-mail at 9-AGL-ORD-WGP-ENV@FAA.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the request of the City of Chicago, the FAA will be reviewing an Environmental Assessment to be prepared by the City of Chicago that will evaluate the environmental impact of the City of Chicago's O'Hare World Gateway Program (WGP). The WGP will address the operational pressures posed by changing airline industry conditions and efforts by the City of Chicago to address these pressures and improve convenience and amenities for the flying public at O'Hare International Airport.

The major physical elements of the overall WGP include proposals for the following terminal development, airside improvements, and landside improvements:

- Terminal development components include two new terminals (TD/T6), the reconstruction of an existing concourse facility (T2, Concourse E/F), extension of Concourse K, utility systems/Heating & Refrigeration plant modifications, and replacement cargo facilities.

- Airside improvements include construction and reconfiguration of taxiways, aprons, and taxilanes in conjunction with new and reconfigured terminal facilities. This would include construction of an extension to Taxiway B and partial reconstruction of Taxiways A and B.

- Key landside components include improvements to terminal access roads and curbsfronts, extension of the O'Hare airport transit system (ATS), additional parking, and consolidated rental car facilities.

In addition to the planned improvements in the WGP, the City of Chicago will review for purposes of assessing cumulative impacts any other clearly defined projects for the years 1997 through 2012. Included are renewal and replacement projects, rehabilitation needs and on-going capital reinvestment. Also, the Airport is marketing undeveloped or underutilized parcels of the northeast portion of the airport to attract private commercial development. Some of the projects have already been evaluated from the environmental perspective and work has begun or is about to begin. Others are awaiting environmental evaluation.

To ensure that all significant issues related to the proposed actions are identified, two scoping meetings will be held as part of an ongoing comprehensive public outreach effort by the City of Chicago. Copies of a scoping document with additional detail can be obtained by contacting the City of Chicago Department of Aviation informational contact person identified above. Federal, State and local agencies and other interested parties are invited to make comments and suggestions to ensure that the full range of issues related to these proposed actions are addressed and all significant issues identified. All reasonable alternatives will be considered including the no-action option. Additional public outreach opportunities will be provided in the future for the public to review and comment on the draft Environmental Assessment.

Comments and suggestions should be received by the City of Chicago Department of Aviation contact person, identified above, by close of business Friday, October 20, 2000. Informational copies of comments may also be sent to the FAA Contact identified above.

Public Scoping Meetings

To facilitate receipt of comments, two public scoping meetings will be held on Thursday, October 5, 2000. An Agency Scoping Meeting will be held for Federal, State and local agencies from 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in the Michigan Conference Room at the Federal Aviation Administration's Great Lakes Region Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois. All persons planning to attend the agency scoping meeting which is during office hours should bring picture identification and if possible call ahead to acknowledge their expected attendance. This will facilitate issuance of a building security pass.

A Public Scoping Workshop will be held for members of the public and other interested parties between 5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. on the same day, Thursday, October 5, 2000. This meeting will be held at the Fountain Blue Banquets, 2300 S. Mannheim Road, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2000-39]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before September 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC-200), Petition Docket No. _____, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-2000), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cherie Jack (202) 267-7271, Forest Rawls (202) 267-8033, or Vanessa Wilkins (202) 267-8029 Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (c), (e), and (g) of § 11.27 of Part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

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Acting Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Dispositions of Petitions

Docket No.: 29983.

Petitioner: Aviation Management Systems, Inc.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 145.45(f).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit AMS to make its IPM available electronically to its supervisory, inspection, and other personnel, rather than give a paper copy of the IPM to each of its supervisory and inspection personnel.

Grant, 07/26/00, Exemption No. 7303

Docket No.: 28110.

Petitioner: McKeeman Productions, Inc.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 105.43(a).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit nonstudent foreign national parachutists to participate in MPI-sponsored parachute jumping events without complying with the parachute equipment and packing requirements of § 105.43(a).

Grant, 08/10/00, Exemption No. 7310

Docket No.: 30129.

Petitioner: Central Oregon EAA Chapter 617.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J to part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit EAA Chapter 617 to conduct local sightseeing flights at Madras City County, Oregon airport for a one-day charitable event benefiting the Experimental Aircraft Association Foundation in August 2000, for compensation or hire without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135.

Grant, 08/11/00, Exemption No. 7314

Docket No.: 30114.

Petitioner: Thunder Air Charter, Inc.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit Thunder Air to operate certain aircraft under part 135 without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed in the aircraft.

Grant, 08/11/00, Exemption No. 7315

Docket No.: 30082.

Petitioner: Southeast Air Charter, Inc.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.143(c)(2).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit SAC to operate certain aircraft under part 135 without a TSO-C112 (Mode S) transponder installed in the aircraft.

Grant, 08/11/00, Exemption No. 7316

Docket No.: 30124.

Petitioner: Sandusky Flying Club.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J to part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit SFC to conduct local sightseeing flights at Sandusky City Airport for its one-day Dawn Patrol event in August 2000, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135.

Grant, 08/11/00, Exemption No. 7313

Docket No.: 30126.

Petitioner: Historical Aviation Organization of Logan County.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.251, 135.255, 135.353, and appendixes I and J to part 121.

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit HAOLC to conduct local sightseeing flights at Bellefontaine Municipal Airport for its two-day Air Fest 2000 event in August 2000, for compensation or hire, without complying with certain anti-drug and alcohol misuse prevention requirements of part 135.

Grant, 08/11/00, Exemption No. 7312

Docket No.: 25550.

Petitioner: Department of the Army.

Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.169(a)(2) and (c).

Description of Relief Sought/

Disposition: To permit U.S. Army to file instrument flight rules flight plans in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the U.S. Army.

Grant, 08/08/00, Exemption No. 6528B

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