DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Special Committee 189/ EUROCAE Working Group 53: Air Traffic Services (ATS) Safety and Interoperability Requirements

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 189/EUROCAE Working Group 53 meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 189/EUROCAE Working Group 53: Air Traffic Services (ATS) Safety and Interoperability Requirements.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 14–16, 2005, starting at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), 400 Virginia Ave., SW., Suite 800, Washington DC 20024–2730.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833–9339; fax (202) 833–9434; Web site http://www.rtca.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 189/EUROCA Working Group 53 meeting. The agenda will include:

- March 14–15:
 - Opening Plenary Session (Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Review/ Approval of Meeting, Review/ Approval of Meeting Minutes)
 - SC-189/WG-53 co-chair report and review of work program
 - Progress work on PU–24, Version 4.0
 - Progress work on PU–40, Revision
- March 16:
 - Closing Plenary Session
 - Debrief on progress for the work
 - Review schedule and action items

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 8,

Natalie Oglette,

FAA General Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aircraft Audio Systems and Equipment

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of availability and requests for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of, and requests comments on proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO)–C139, Aircraft Audio Systems and Equipment. The proposed TSO is for audio systems designers, manufacturers, and installers seeking a TSO authorization or letter of design approval. In it, we (the Federal Aviation Administration, or FAA) describe what minimum performance standards (MPS) their audio systems and equipment must meet for approval and identification with applicable TSO marking. We also combine and update the requirements of TSO-C50c, Audio Selector Panels and Amplifers; TSO-57a, Headsets and Speakers; and TSO-C58a, Aircraft Microphones (except carbon).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on proposed TSO–C139 to: Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Certification Service, Aircraft Engineering Division, Avionic Systems Branch, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591. ATTN: Mr. Gregory Frye, AIR–130.

You may also deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr.

Gregory Frye, AIR–130, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591. Telephone (202) 385–4649, fax (202) 385–4554, or e-mail gregory.e.frye@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

You may comment on the proposed TSO by sending written data, views, or arguments to the address listed above. You can also examine comments received on the proposed TSO before

and after the comment closing date. Examine comments in room 815, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Director, Aircraft Certification Service, will consider all comments received by the closing date before issuing the final TSO.

Background

TSO-C139 contains audio systems characteristics and MPS for aircraft microphones (except carbon), headsets, handsets, speakers, audio selector panels, and amplifiers. These standards specify system characteristics that should be useful if you are a designer, manufacturer, installer, or user of the equipment. If you comply with these standards, the equipment will perform its intended functions satisfactorily under all conditions normally encountered in routine aeronautical operations.

How To Get Copies

You can get a copy of the proposed TSO on the Internet from the FAA's Regulatory and Guidance Library (RGL) at http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl. On the RGL Web site, select "Technical Standard Orders (TSO) and Index." Or, contact the person listed in the section titled FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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Susan J.M. Cabler,

Acting Manager, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 05–3607 Filed 2–24–05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aircraft Clamps

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of availability and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of, and requests comment on, a proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO) on aircraft clamps. The TSO prescribes minimum performance standards that aircraft clamps must meet to be identified with the making "TSO—C171."

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on this proposed TSO to: Technical Programs

and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR–120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Attn: File No. TSO–C171, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

You may deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 804, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lee Nguyen, AIR–120, Room 804, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Telephone (202) 267–9937.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

You are invited to comment on the proposed TSO by submitting written Data, views, or arguments to the above address. Comments received may be examined, both before and after the closing date, in room 804 at the above address, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Director, Aircraft Certification Service, will consider all comments received on or before the closing date before issuing the final TSO.

Background

Proposed TSO–C171 prescribes the minimum performance standards for aircraft clamps. The TSO references the standard set forth in the manufacturer's part drawing(s), applicable part specification(s) submitted with the clamp manufacturer's application for TSO authorization, and ASTM and SAE standards.

How To Obtain Copies

You can view or download the proposed TSO from its online location at: http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl. At this Web page, select "Technical Standard Orders." At the TSO page, select "Proposed Orders."

For a paper copy, contact the person listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. You can order copies of American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) documents from ASTM, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428–2959. You can order copies of Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) documents from SAE, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096–0001.

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Susan J.M. Cabler,

Acting Manager, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Nickel-Cadmium and Lead-Acid Batteries

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of, and requests comments on, a proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO) on nickel-cadmium and lead-acid batteries. These batteries power aircraft equipment (emergency and standby systems, plus engine or APU starting). The TSO prescribes minimum performance standards for these batteries to be identified with the marking "TSO-C173."

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on this proposed TSO to: Technical Programs Branch, AIR–120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Attn: File No. TSO–C173, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

You may deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 804, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lee Nguyen, AIR–120, Room 804, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington DC 20591. Telephone (202) 267–9937.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

You are invited to comment on the proposed TSO by submitting written data, views, or arguments to the above address. Comments received may be examined, both before and after the comment closing date, in room 804 at the above address, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Director, Aircraft Certification Service, will consider all comments received on or before the closing date before issuing the final TSO.

How To Obtain Copies

You may download a copy of proposed TSO–C173 from the FAA Web site at: http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl. At the Web page, select "Technical Standard Orders." At the TSO page, select "Proposed TSOs." For a paper copy of the proposed TSO, or for further assistance, contact the individual listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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Susan J.M. Cabler,

Acting Manager, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 05–3608 Filed 2–24–05; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Universal Access Transceiver Equipment

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of availability and requests for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of, and requests comments on, proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO)-C154a, Universal Access Transceiver (UAT) Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast (ADS-B) Equipment Operating on the Frequency of 978 MHz. In this TSO, we (the Federal Aviation Administration, or FAA) refer to a revised minimum performance standard (MPS)—RTCA Inc., Document (RTCA/DO)-282A, Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Universal Access Transceiver (UAT) Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS-B), dated July 29, 2004. We also add Appendix 1, which lists corrections to RTCA/DO-282A since its date of issuance. The TSO also supports an optional frequency Diplexer. The Diplexer allows the ATCRBS/Mode S Transponder and the UAT equipment developed under this TSO to share antennas. This TSO is for manufacturers of Universal Access Transceiver ADS-B equipment or UAT Diplexer seeking a TSO authorization or letter of design approval. In it, we tell them what MPS their UAT equipment must meet for approval and identification with the TSO-C154a marking.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on this proposed TSO to: Ms. Bobbie Smith, AIR-103, ATTN: File No. TSO-C154a, Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Certification Service, Aircraft Engineering Division, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. You may deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Jennings, AIR–130, Federal