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**Florence E. Harmon,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## **SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

[Docket No. SSA-2009-0004]

### **Future Systems Technology Advisory Panel Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Social Security Administration (SSA).

**ACTION:** Notice of second panel meeting.

**DATES:** February 9, 2009, 9:15 a.m.–5 p.m. and February 10, 2009, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

*Location:* Hilton Baltimore Hotel.

**ADDRESSES:** 401 West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21201.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Type of meeting:* The meeting is open to the public.

*Purpose:* The Panel, under the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as “the FACA”) shall report to and provide the Commissioner of Social Security independent advice and recommendations on the future of systems technology and electronic services at the agency five to ten years into the future. The Panel will recommend a road map to aid SSA in determining what future systems technologies may be developed to assist in carrying out its statutory mission. Advice and recommendations can relate to SSA’s systems in the area of internet application, customer service, or any other arena that would improve SSA’s ability to serve the American people.

*Agenda:* The Panel will meet on Monday, February 9, 2009 from 9:15 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Tuesday, February 10, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. The agenda will be available on the Internet at <http://www.ssa.gov/fstap/index.htm> or available by e-mail or fax on request, one week prior to the starting date.

During the second meeting, the Panel will continue to receive additional information about the agency, its operations, and its programs. The meeting will also include a dialogue with the senior executives of the agency to answer panel questions. This dissemination of information and discussion with the executives will

enable panel members to gain a broader and more in-depth understanding of the agency and its operations.

*Contact Information:* Records are kept of all proceedings and will be available for public inspection by appointment at the Panel office. Anyone requiring information regarding the Panel should contact the staff by:

Mail addressed to SSA, Future Systems Technology Advisory Panel, Room 800, Altmeyer Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235-0001; Telephone at 410-965-6011; Fax at 410-965-0201; or e-mail to [FSTAP@ssa.gov](mailto:FSTAP@ssa.gov).

Dated: January 14, 2009.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Applications of Avjet Corporation for Certificate Authority**

**AGENCY:** Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order to Show Cause (Order 2009-1-7); Dockets DOT-OST-2008-0224 and DOT-OST-2008-0231.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Transportation is directing all interested persons to show cause why it should not issue orders finding Avjet Corporation, fit, willing, and able, and awarding it certificates of public convenience and necessity to engage in interstate and foreign charter air transportation of persons, property and mail.

**DATES:** Persons wishing to file objections should do so no later than January 28, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Objections and answers to objections should be filed in Dockets DOT-OST-2008-0224 and DOT-OST-2008-0231 and addressed to U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations (M-30), 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, and should be served upon the parties listed in Attachment A to the order.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Vanessa R. Balgobin, Air Carrier Fitness Division (X-56), U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey

Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9721.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### **Advisory Circular 35-1, Certification of Propellers**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of advisory circular.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the issuance of Advisory Circular (AC) 35-1, Certification of Propellers. This AC provides guidance and describes acceptable methods, but not the only methods, that may be used to demonstrate compliance with provisions of the requirements of part 35 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR part 35).

**DATE:** The Engine and Propeller Directorate issued AC 35-1 on December 29, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Federal Aviation Administration, Attn: Jay Turnberg, Engine and Propeller Standards Staff, ANE-111, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299; telephone: (781) 238-7116; fax: (781) 238-7199; e-mail: [jay.turnberg@faa.gov](mailto:jay.turnberg@faa.gov).

We have filed in the docket all substantive comments received, and a report summarizing them. If you wish to review the docket in person, you may go to the above address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you wish to contact the above individual directly, you can use the above telephone number or e-mail address provided.

*How to Obtain Copies:* A paper copy of AC 35-1 may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Subsequent Distribution Office, DOT Warehouse, SVC 121.23, Ardmore East Business Center, 3341Q 75th Ave., Landover, MD 20785, telephone 301-322-5377, or by faxing your request to the warehouse at 301-386-5394. The AC will also be available on the Internet at [http://www.faa.gov/regulations\\_policies](http://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies) (then click on “Advisory Circulars”).

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701-44702, 44704.

<sup>14</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts on December 29, 2008.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No: FAA-2008-1208]

#### Helicopter Emergency Medical Services Operations

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of consideration of comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice discusses comments received on proposed revisions to Operations Specification A021, pertaining to Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS) operations, and Operation Specification A050, pertaining to Helicopter Night Vision Goggle Operations (HNVGO) and changes made to the proposed revisions based upon comments received.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical questions regarding the A021 and A050 Operations Specifications revisions contact: Dennis Pratte or Larry Buehler, FAA Flight Standards—Part 135 Air Carrier Operations Branch, AFS-250, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-8166; e-mail [dennis.pratte@faa.gov](mailto:dennis.pratte@faa.gov) or [larry.buehler@faa.gov](mailto:larry.buehler@faa.gov). For legal questions concerning this notice, contact: Dean Griffith, FAA Office of the Chief Counsel, AGC-220, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3073; e-mail [dean.griffith@faa.gov](mailto:dean.griffith@faa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Action

On November 14, 2008, the FAA issued a notice of availability of proposed revisions to Operations Specifications A021 and A050 pertaining to HEMS operations and requested comments to the proposed revisions. The FAA received 25 comments in response to the notice and has made changes to proposed Operations Specification A021 based on the comments. Operations Specification A050 will not be changed.

##### Availability of Document

Copies of Operations Specifications A021 (HEMS) and A050 (HNVGO)

which are to be implemented can be found and downloaded from the Internet at the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for the documents using the Federal docket number FAA-2008-1208.

#### Discussion of Comments Received

The FAA received 25 comments from industry, including HEMS operators (Omniflight Helicopters, Inc., Intermountain Life Flight, Air Evac Lifeteam, EMS Executive Forum of HEMS Common Carriers), North Memorial Medical Center North Air Care, Reach Air Ambulance, and Hospital Wing), trade associations (Helicopter Association International, the Association of Air Medical Services, and the National EMS Pilots Association), an equipment manufacturer (Max-Viz Inc.), and a designer of helicopter GPS approaches (STI, Inc.). The FAA also received comments from pilots, HEMS medical personnel, and other individuals. A summary of the comments received and the FAA response to the comments follows.

##### A. General Support

The FAA received numerous comments supporting proposed Operations Specifications A021 and A050. Commenters supporting the revisions included the EMS Executive Forum of HEMS Common Carriers, Helicopter Association International (supported by Life Flight of Maine, TriState Careflight, LLC, EMS Air Services of New York, Inc., Sanford USD Medical Center Trauma 1, Bell Helicopter, and other organizations that also submitted comments independently), the National EMS Pilots Association, the Association of Air Medical Services, Omniflight Helicopters, Inc., and several individual commenters.

##### B. Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) Point in Space (PinS) Special Instrument Approach Procedures

Several commenters recommended changes to proposed Operations Specification A021 paragraph “h,” regarding IFR PinS Special Instrument Approach Procedures, with a proceed Visual Flight Rules (VFR) transition to a heliport or landing area, and standard or special instrument approach procedures. The comments identified that the language proposed in the operation specification could lead to misunderstandings with respect to “proceed VFR” transitions and the conduct of visual operations in accordance with visual minimums as

noted in A021 Table 1. Commenters also noted that if an approved “proceed visually” segment exists as part of an approved Instrument Approach Procedure (IAP) or special IAP, the associated approach minimums would apply.

The FAA acknowledges that proposed Operations Specification A021 made no distinction between the weather minimums associated with an instrument approach which ends in a “proceed visually” versus a “proceed VFR” instruction. The FAA agrees with the commenters that the language in proposed A021 could lead to confusion for operators making visual transitions from instrument approaches and therefore intends to change A021 paragraph “h,” to clarify the procedures to be followed when making VFR or visual transitions from instrument approaches.

##### C. Weather Minimums

Three commenters recommended different weather minimums from those in the proposed Operations Specification A021. Two generally supported higher weather minimums than the ones proposed by the FAA. The third stated that the 5 mile visibility standard in mountainous terrain would be too restrictive.

Proposed Operations Specification A021 increases the weather minimums for part 135 VFR flight by raising ceilings and increasing visibility requirements. The FAA believes that the proposed weather minimums will enhance safety for HEMS operations by lessening the probability of encountering situations that could lead to inadvertent operation into instrument meteorological conditions (IMC), pilot spatial disorientation, or lack of situational awareness, all causes of HEMS accidents.

The first commenter who suggested higher weather minimums did not provide supporting information for why minimums higher than the ones proposed are warranted. The FAA agrees that as a general principle the likelihood of controlled flight into terrain, loss of control, and obstacle collisions decreases as weather minimums increase. However, the FAA understands that HEMS operators provide an invaluable service to the nation by providing crucial, safe, and efficient transportation of critically ill and injured patients. The FAA believes that the new weather minimums will help to prevent accidents by providing operators a greater margin of safety without unnecessarily impinging upon otherwise safe HEMS operations.