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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

9 CFR Parts 1 and 2 [Docket No. 97-121-2]

Animal Welfare; Inspection, Licensing, and Procurement of Animals

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of reopening and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening and extending the comment period for our proposal to amend the Animal Welfare regulations by revising and clarifying the exemptions from the licensing requirements, the procedures for license applications and renewals, and restrictions upon the acquisition of dogs and cats and other animals. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: We invite you to comment on Docket No. 97–121–1. We will consider all comments that we receive by November 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Please send your comment and three copies to:

Docket No. 97–121–1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Suite 3C03, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. 97–121–1.

You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.

APHIS documents published in the **Federal Register**, and related information, including the names of organizations and individuals who have

commented on APHIS dockets, are available on the Internet at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ppd/rad/webrepor.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Barbara Kohn, Staff Veterinarian, AC, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737–1234; (301) 734–7833.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 4, 2000, we published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 47908–47918, Docket No. 97–121–1) a proposal to amend the Animal Welfare regulations by revising and clarifying the exemptions from the licensing requirements, the procedures for license applications and renewals, and restrictions upon the acquisition of dogs and cats and other animals.

Comments in response to our proposal were required to be received on or before October 3, 2000. In response to requests from the public, we are extending the comment period on Docket No. 97–121–1 for an additional 30 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2131–2159; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.7.

Done in Washington, DC, this 13th day of October 2000.

William R. DeHaven,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-CE-34-AD; Amendment 39-11578; AD 2000-03-19]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Industrie Aeronautiche e Meccaniche Model Piaggio P–180 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM); proposed removal of final rule.

SUMMARY: This document proposes to remove Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2000-03-19, which currently applies to all Industrie Aeronautiche e Meccaniche (I.A.M.) Model Piaggio P-180 airplanes that are equipped with pneumatic deicing boots. AD 2000-03-19 requires revising the Airplane Flight Manual (AFM) to include requirements for activating the airframe pneumatic deicing boots. Since FAA issued AD 2000-03-19, I.A.M. has shown the language currently included in the AFM and the airplane configuration are satisfactory to address the conditions identified in AD 2000-03-19. Therefore, this action proposes to remove AD 2000-03-19.

DATES: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) must receive any comments on this rule by November 24, 2000.

ADDRESSES: You may look at information related to this action at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 99–CE–34–AD, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Werth, Airworthiness Directive Coordinator, FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329–4147; facsimile: (816) 329– 4090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

How Do I Comment on This Proposed Removal?

We invite your comments on the proposed removal. You may send whatever written data, views, or arguments you choose. You need to include the docket number and send your comments in triplicate to the address named under the caption ADDRESSES. We will consider all comments received by the closing date specified above, before acting on the proposed removal. We may change the proposals contained in this action because of the comments received.

Are There Any Specific Portions of the Proposal I Should Pay Attention to?

The FAA specifically invites comments on the overall regulatory,