

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). The Tennessee Valley Authority is soliciting public comments on this proposed collection as provided by 5 CFR section 1320.8(d)(1). Requests for information, including copies of the information collection proposed and supporting documentation, should be directed to the Agency Clearance Officer: Wilma H. McCauley, Tennessee Valley Authority, 1101 Market Street (EB 5B), Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402-2801; (423) 751-2523.

Comments should be sent to the Agency Clearance Officer no later than July 21, 2003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Type of request: Regular submission, proposal to extend without revision a currently approved collection of information (OMB control number 3316-0016).

Title of Information Collection: Farmer Questionnaire-Vicinity of Nuclear Power Plants.

Frequency of Use: On occasion.

Type of Affected Public: Individuals or households, and farms.

Small Business or Organizations Affected: No.

Federal Budget Functional Category Code: 271.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 300.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 150.

Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Response: .5.

Need For and Use of Information: This survey is used to locate, for monitoring purposes, rural residents, home gardens, and milk animals within a five mile radius of a nuclear power plant. The monitoring program is a mandatory requirement of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission set out in the technical specifications when the plants were licensed.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending May 9, 2003

The following agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. sections 412 and 414. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: OST-2003-15109.

Date Filed: May 5, 2003.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject:

PTC3 0644 dated 6 May 2003 r1-r5

Mail Vote 299—Resolution 010n

Special Passenger Amending

Resolution between Afghanistan and Pakistan

Intended effective date: 15 May 2003

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Chief, Docket Operations & Media Management, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Foreign Air Carrier Permits Filed Under Subpart B (Formerly Subpart Q) During the Week Ending May 9, 2003

The following applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity and foreign air carrier permits were filed under subpart B (formerly subpart Q) of the Department of Transportation's procedural regulations (See 14 CFR 301.201 *et. seq.*). The due date for answers, conforming applications, or motions to modify scope are set forth below for each application. Following the answer period DOT may process the application by expedited procedures. Such procedures may consist of the adoption of a show-cause order, a tentative order, or in appropriate cases a final order without further proceedings.

Docket Number: OST-2003-15130.

Date Filed: May 7, 2003.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: May 28, 2003.

Description: Application of Northwest Airlines, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. sections 41101 and 41102 and subpart B, requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Northwest to provide scheduled foreign

air transportation of persons, property, and mail between any point or points in the United States, via intermediate points, and any point or points in Iraq and beyond. Northwest also requests, that the Department integrate this certificate authority with all of its existing certificate and exemption authority to the extent consistent with U.S. bilateral agreements and DOT policy.

Docket Number: OST-2003-15138.

Date Filed: May 7, 2003.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: May 28, 2003.

Description: Application of Aviation Concepts, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. section 41102 and subpart B, requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in foreign charter air transportation of persons, property, and mail.

Docket Number: OST-2003-15139.

Date Filed: May 7, 2003.

Due Date for Answers, Conforming Applications, or Motion to Modify Scope: May 28, 2003.

Description: Application of Aviation Concepts, Inc., pursuant to 49 U.S.C. section 41102 and subpart B, requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to engage in interstate charter air transportation of persons, property, and mail.

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Chief, Docket Operations & Media Management, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment and Conduct Scoping for Air Traffic Procedural Changes Associate With the Midwest Airspace Plan

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) and conduct scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, is issuing this notice to advise the public, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, (NEPA) 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C) that the FAA intends to prepare an EA for the proposed Midwest Airspace Plan (MAP). While not required for an EA, the FAA is issuing this Notice of Intent to facilitate public involvement. This

EA will assess the potential environmental impacts resulting from proposed modifications to air traffic routings in the metropolitan St. Louis, Missouri and surrounding areas.

Airports in this area include Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, Spirit of St. Louis Airport, St. Louis Downtown Airport, St. Louis Regional Airport, Scott Air Force Base/Mid-America Airport, as well as other smaller general aviation use airports. All reasonable alternatives will be considered including a no action alternative/option.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donna O'Neill, Airspace Branch, ACE-520, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 E. Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2560.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA issued its Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on W-1-W, a new staggered parallel runway at St. Louis-Lambert International Airport on December 19, 1997. The subsequent Record of Decision (ROD) on Improvements to Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, dated September 30, 1998 directed that action be taken to develop air traffic control and airspace management procedures to effect the safe and efficient movement of air traffic to and from the proposed new runway, including the development of a system for the routing of arriving and departing traffic and the design, establishment, and publication of standardized flight operating procedures including instrument approach procedures and standard instrument departure procedures.

The FAA's Midwest Airspace Plan examines alternative ways to modify air traffic routes and procedures to enhance safety and improve operational efficiency in the St. Louis airspace environment. The Midwest Airspace Plan encompasses a geographic area of approximately 75 miles around the Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. Airports in the study area include: Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, Spirit of St. Louis Airport, St. Louis Downtown Airport, St. Louis Regional Airport, Scott Air Force Base/Mid-America Airport, as well as other smaller general aviation use airports.

The FAA will examine methods that will take advantage of new and emerging ATC technologies, improved performance characteristics of modern aircraft, as well as improvements in navigation capabilities. The proposal will address the merits of alternative airspace design scenarios that safely and efficiently use regional airspace and utilize the additional runway being

constructed at the Lambert-St. Louis International Airport.

As part of the airspace redesign effort, the FAA will conduct detailed analyses, which will be used to evaluate the potential environmental impacts in the study area. During scoping, and upon publication of a draft EA and a final EA, the FAA will be contacting and coordinating with federal, state, and local agencies, as well as the public, to obtain comments and suggestions regarding the EA for the proposed project. The EA will assess impacts and reasonable alternatives including a no action alternative, pursuant to NEPA; FAA Order 1050.1, Policies and Procedures for Assessing Environmental Impacts; DOT Order 5610.1, Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts; and the President's Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations implementing the provisions of NEPA, 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508, and other appropriate Agency guidance.

Public Scoping Process: While not required for an EA, the FAA will use the scoping process as outlined in the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations and guidelines to facilitate public involvement. Concerned individuals and agencies are invited to express their views either in writing or by providing oral comments at a scoping meeting. The purpose of the scoping process is: (1) To provide a description of the proposed action, (2) to provide an early and open process to determine the scope of issues to be addressed and to identify potentially significant issues or impacts related to the proposed action that should be analyzed in the EA, (3) to identify other coordination and any permit requirements associated with the proposed action, (4) to identify and eliminate from detailed study those issues that are not significant or those that have been adequately addressed during a prior environmental review process.

The FAA has scheduled four public scoping meetings. Each meeting will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at sites listed below. Each of the meetings will begin with an overview of the project (7 p.m.-7:15 p.m.), followed by an informal open house period (7:15 p.m.-8:30 p.m.) and will conclude with a question and answer session (8:30 p.m.-9 p.m.). The open house portion of each public scoping meeting will include redesign displays and graphics and will provide an opportunity for one-on-one interaction between representatives of the FAA and the general public. Comments will be received via court

recorder or written form throughout the duration of the meeting.

Scoping Meeting dates and locations are:

—June 11, 2003—Collinsville, IL
Holiday Inn

—June 17, 2003—Kirkwood, MO
Holiday Inn

—June 18, 2003—St. Peters, MO City
Hall

—June 19, 2003—Alton, IL Holiday Inn

In meeting with NEPA coordination requirements, the FAA has scheduled one meeting that will be dedicated primarily to federal, state and local agency staff, and Native American governments. This meeting is scheduled on June 11 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Sheraton St. Louis City Center Hotel, St. Louis, MO. Although this meeting will be held primarily for the benefit of federal, tribal, state and local agency staff, it will also be open to the public.

The scoping period begins with this announcement. To ensure that all issues are identified, the FAA is requesting comments and suggestions on the project scope from all interested federal, state and local agencies and other interested parties. In furtherance of this effort, the FAA has established an Internet Web site that can be accessed at: <http://www.faa.gov/ats/central/enviro/map.html>. Additional information about the Midwest Airspace Plan, including the scoping meeting schedule and meeting locations can be found at this internet site. Additionally, the FAA will be maintaining the following telephone number for general information: 816-329-2560.

Dates: The FAA will accept formal scoping comments through July 18, 2003. Written comments should be directed to the following address: Federal Aviation Administration, 901 E. Locust, Attn: ACE-520-MAP, Kansas City, MO 64106. Comments will also be accepted electronically via <http://www.faa.gov/ats/nar/central/enviro/map.html>.

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