

Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Fed. Advisory Comms., Bds., & Comm'ns, 79 FR 47,482 (Aug. 13, 2014). Members of RSTAC are appointed to serve in a representative capacity.

Each RSTAC member is appointed for a term of three years. No member will be eligible to serve in excess of two consecutive terms. However, a member may serve after the expiration of his or her term until a successor has taken office.

Due to the expiration of an RSTAC member's term, a vacancy exists for a small shipper representative. Nominations for candidates to fill the vacancy should be submitted in letter form, identifying the name of the candidate, providing a summary of why the candidate is qualified to serve on RSTAC, and containing representations that the candidate is willing to serve as an RSTAC member effective immediately upon appointment. Candidates may nominate themselves. The Board's Chair is committed to having a committee reflecting diverse communities and viewpoints and strongly encourages the nomination of candidates from diverse backgrounds. RSTAC candidate nominations should be filed with the Board by November 18, 2024. Members selected to serve on RSTAC are chosen at the discretion of the Board's Chair.

Please note that submissions will be posted on the Board's website under Docket No. EP 526 (Sub-No. 22) and can also be obtained by contacting the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at RCPA@stb.gov or (202) 245-0238.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1325.

Decided: October 18, 2024.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No: FAA-2024-2434]

Notice of Virtual Meeting With Industry

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of virtual meeting for Prospective Manufacturers of Airborne Position Reference Tools (APRT).

SUMMARY: The FAA is holding a virtual industry event to educate companies

interested in manufacturing supplemental surveillance tools to increase airborne situational awareness. These "Airborne Position Reference Tools" (APRTs) will be available for purchase and operation by non-federal entities (e.g., airport authorities). APRTs are intended for use in air traffic control towers that are staffed by non-federally employed controllers and not equipped with Standard Terminal Automation Replacement Systems (STARS).

DATES: Wednesday December 11, 2024; 1:30-4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Schoen, Advanced Systems Design Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-9841; email: michael.j.schoen@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Statutory authority

The FAA is authorized to regulate aviation technologies that are manufactured for operation by non-federal entities in the National Airspace System (NAS). (49 U.S.C. 44708; 40102(4)(c).) The Advanced Systems Design Service is tasked to assess the suitability of technologies that industry proposes for non-federal use in the NAS. (14 CFR part 171.75.)

II. Background

Please join the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a virtual industry event to educate companies interested in manufacturing and selling supplemental surveillance tools to increase airborne situational awareness. These "Airborne Position Reference Tools" (APRTs) will be available for purchase and operation by non-federal entities (e.g., airport authorities). They are intended for use in air traffic control towers that are staffed by non-federally employed controllers and not equipped with Standard Terminal Automation Replacement Systems (STARS).

The FAA does not operate every Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) in the National Airspace System (NAS). Some towers are staffed by non-federally employed controllers, either via the FAA Contract Tower (FCT) program, or with non-federal funding. A number of these "non-FAA" towers do not have a Certified Tower Radar Display (i.e., STARS). Without radar data the controllers at those towers must rely on their own visual observations, and their radio communications with pilots. Many of these towers desire a tool that supplements situational awareness by providing controllers with a digital picture of their airspace.

APRTs may only be used to supplement controllers' visual observations, and their radio communications with pilots. APRTs may not be used as the basis for maintaining separation between aircraft and they may not connect to FAA networks and/or FAA equipment.

The FAA is not conducting an acquisition for APRTs. Sponsors who want to procure and operate an APRT must purchase FAA approved systems/services. The FAA has developed minimum requirements that prospective manufacturers must meet and an approval process they must follow. Multiple vendors' systems/services may be approved for non-federal use under the APRT umbrella.

On Wednesday December 11th from 1:30-4:30 p.m. the FAA will virtually brief that information to interested parties and entertain questions. We will also announce the date on which prospective manufacturers may submit their design approval requests.

III. How To Register for This Event

This event will be held via video conference. Please use the following link to register for an event invitation: <https://liveeventsfaa.wufoo.com/forms/industry-day-for-airborne-position-reference-tools/>.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 9, 2024.

Shelly A. Beauchamp,

Team Manager, Advanced Systems Design Service (A)W-121).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[FAA-2024-2488]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: "Generic Clearance for Customer Interactions"

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. Customer Interactions provide the Federal Aviation Administration valuable information and connect the agency to the public.

The Federal Aviation Administration would utilize a Generic Clearance for Customer Interactions that support the Agency's mission to become more accessible and transparent.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by December 23, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments:

By Electronic Docket:
www.regulations.gov (Enter docket number into search field).

By mail: Barbara Hall 10101 Hillwood Parkway, Fort Worth, TX 76101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Hall by email at: Barbara.l.hall@faa.gov; phone: 817-222-5448

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0772.

Title: Generic Clearance for Customer Interactions.

Form Numbers: NA.

Type of Review: Extensional of an information collection.

Background: Individual citizens or organizations may voluntarily respond to this collection. This collection of information will support the Federal Aviation Administration's mission. The Agency will collect qualitative and quantitative data that informs scientific research; aviation assessments and monitoring efforts; validate models or tools; and enhance the quantity and quality of data collected across communities. The agency will use this data to create an avenue to incorporate local knowledge and needs, and to contribute to increased data sharing, open data, and government transparency. The Federal Aviation Administration may sponsor the collection of this type of information in connection with aviation projects. All such collections will follow Agency policies and regulations. Collections under this generic ICR will be from volunteers who participate on their own initiative through an open and transparent process.

Respondents: 110,000 Individual citizens or organizations who interact

with the agency may voluntarily respond to this collection.

Frequency: As Needed.

Estimated Average Burden per

Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:
18,330.

Issued in Fort Worth, TX, on October 17, 2024.

Barbara Hall,

Information Collection Officer, ASP-110, AFN.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Availability for a Written Re-Evaluation of the Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the SpaceX Starship/Super Heavy Launch Vehicle Program at the SpaceX Boca Chica Launch Site in Cameron County, Texas

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, Council on Environmental Quality NEPA-implementing regulations, and FAA Order 1050.1F, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, the FAA is announcing the availability of the Written Re-Evaluation for the Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the SpaceX Starship/Super Heavy Launch Vehicle Program regarding updates to the forward heat shield interstage, sonic boom coverage, use of the deluge system during return to launch site landings, and use of US Coast Guard Safety Zones at the SpaceX Boca Chica Launch Site in Cameron County, Texas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Hanson, FAA Environmental Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave. SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20591; phone 847-243-7609; email Amy.Hanson@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Written Re-Evaluation evaluated whether supplemental environmental analysis was needed to support the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation decision to issue a modification to SpaceX's vehicle operator license for the operation of the Starship/Super Heavy launch vehicle at its existing Boca Chica Launch Site in

Cameron County, Texas. The affected environment and environmental impacts of Starship/Super Heavy operations and the construction of launch-related infrastructure at the Boca Chica Launch Site were analyzed in the 2022 *Final Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the SpaceX Starship/Super Heavy Launch Vehicle Program at the SpaceX Boca Chica Launch Site in Cameron County, Texas (2022 PEA)*. The FAA issued a Mitigated Finding of No Significant Impact and Record of Decision based on the 2022 PEA on June 13, 2022.

SpaceX recently provided the FAA with additional information regarding updates to the forward heat shield interstage, sonic boom coverage, use of the deluge system during return to launch site landings, and use of US Coast Guard Safety Zones.

Based on the analysis within the Written Re-Evaluation of the additional information, the FAA concluded that the issuance of a modification to SpaceX's vehicle operator license for Starship/Super Heavy operations conforms to the prior environmental documentation, that the data contained in the 2022 PEA remains substantially valid, that there are no significant environmental changes, and all pertinent conditions and requirements of the prior approval have been met or will be met in the current action.

Therefore, preparation of a supplemental or new environmental document is not necessary to support the Proposed Action.

The Written Re-Evaluation is available at: www.faa.gov/space/stakeholder_engagement/spacex_starship.

Issued in Washington, DC, on: October 12, 2024.

Stacey Molinich Zee,

Manager, Operations Support Branch, Office of Commercial Space Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2024-0237]

Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Application for an Exemption From Casey's Services Company, USDOT #162449

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT

ACTION: Notice of application for exemption; request for comments.