proposal contained in this action may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the public docket both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

#### Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded through the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov.
Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's Web page at http://www.faa.gov/airports\_airtraffic/air\_traffic/publications/airspace amendments/.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see the ADDRESSES section for the address and phone number) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Northwest Mountain Regional Office of the Federal Aviation Administration, Air Traffic Organization, Western Service Center, Operations Support Group, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, WA 98057.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should contact the FAA's Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, for a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

## The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to establish Class E surface airspace at Battle Mountain Airport, Battle Mountain, NV. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate aircraft using the VOR/DME SIAPs at Battle Mountain Airport. This action would enhance the safety and management of aircraft operations at the airport.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9T, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in this Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to

keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation; (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the U.S. Code. Subtitle 1, Section 106, describes the authority for the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it establishes controlled airspace at Battle Mountain Airport, Battle Mountain, NV.

## List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

#### The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

# PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:

**Authority**: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

#### §71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the FAA Order 7400.9T, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.

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#### AWP NV E2 Battle Mountain, NV [New]

Battle Mountain Airport, NV (Lat.  $40^{\circ}35'57''$  N., long.  $116^{\circ}52'28''$  W.)

Within a 4.2-mile radius of Battle Mountain Airport, and within 1.4 miles each side of the 218° bearing extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 7.4 miles southwest of the Battle Mountain Airport. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on December 9, 2009.

#### H. Steve Karnes,

Acting Manager, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

17 CFR Parts 200, 232, 240, 249, and 274

[Release Nos. 33–9086; 34–61161; IC–29069; File No. S7–10–09]

RIN 3235-AK27

#### Facilitating Shareholder Director Nominations

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; re-opening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** In June 2009, the Securities and Exchange Commission proposed changes to the federal proxy rules in "Facilitating Shareholder Director Nominations," Release Nos. 33–9046; 34–60089; IC–28765; File No. S7–10–09 (June 10, 2009), 74 FR 29024 (June 18, 2009) (the "Proposal"). The Commission is re-opening the comment period to permit interested persons to comment on additional data and related analyses that have been included in the public comment file.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before January 19, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/proposed.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to *rule-comments@sec.gov*. Please include File Number S7–10–09 on the subject line; or

• Use the Federal eRulemaking Portal (http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

#### Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number S7-10-09. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help us process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/ proposed.shtml). These comments also are available for Web site viewing and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. All comments received will be posted without change; we do not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lillian Brown or Tamara Brightwell, Division of Corporation Finance, at (202) 551–3200, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–4553.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In June 2009, the Commission proposed changes to the federal proxy rules that would require a company, under certain circumstances, to include in the company's proxy statement disclosure concerning a shareholder's, or group of shareholders', nominees for director and to include on the company proxy card the names of those nominees.<sup>1</sup> In addition, the proposed rules would require companies to include in their proxy materials, under certain circumstances, shareholder proposals that would amend, or that request an amendment to, a company's governing documents regarding nomination procedures or disclosures related to shareholder nominations, provided the shareholder proposal does not conflict with the Commission's disclosure rules, including the proposed new rules. The Commission also proposed changes to certain of our other rules and regulations, including the existing exemptions from the proxy rules and the beneficial ownership reporting requirements. The Proposal was

published for comment in the **Federal Register** on June 18, 2009, and the initial comment period closed on August 17, 2009.

In connection with the Proposal, a variety of data and related analyses have been submitted and included in the public comment file,² including data and related analysis by Commission staff. A portion of that data and the related analyses were submitted or added to the public comment file at or after the close of the initial comment period. The Commission is re-opening the comment period to allow interested persons to comment on the additional data and analyses in the public comment file, including the following materials:

- Report on Effects of Proposed SEC Rule 14a–11 on Efficiency, Competitiveness and Capital Formation, in Support of Comments by Business Roundtable, NERA Economic Consulting (submitted on August 17, 2009 by the Business Roundtable);
- Why Did Some Banks Perform Better During the Credit Crisis? A Cross-Country Study of the Impact of Governance and Regulation, Andrea Beltratti and Rene M. Stulz (submitted on September 11, 2009 by the Business Roundtable);
- The Limits of Private Ordering: Restrictions on Shareholders' Ability to Initiate Governance Change and Distortions of the Shareholder Voting Process, The Corporate Library (submitted on November 18, 2009 by the Shareowner Education Network and the Council of Institutional Investors); and
- Supplemental analysis of share ownership and holding period patterns from Form 13F data by the Commission's Division of Risk, Strategy, and Financial Innovation, dated November 24, 2009.

The Commission is re-opening the comment period for the Proposal with regard to the additional data and related analyses for thirty days from the date of publication of this release in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission. Dated: December 14, 2009.

#### Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

#### 38 CFR Part 3

RIN 2900-AN21

### Specially Adapted Housing and Special Home Adaptation

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) proposes to amend its adjudication regulations regarding specially adapted housing and special home adaptation grants. The proposed regulations would incorporate certain provisions from the Veterans Benefits Act of 2003, the Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 2004, the Veterans' Housing Opportunity and Benefits Improvement Act of 2006, and the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. The proposed amendments are necessary to conform the regulations to the statutory provisions.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by VA on or before February 16, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be submitted through

www.Regulations.gov; by mail or handdelivery to Director, Regulations Management (02REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Ave., NW., Room 1068, Washington, DC 20420; or by fax to (202) 273-9026. Comments should indicate that they are submitted in response to "RIN 2900-AN21—Specially Adapted Housing and Special Home Adaptation." Copies of comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Room 1063B, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays). Please call (202) 461-4902 for an appointment. This is not a toll-free number. In addition, during the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at http:// www.Regulations.gov.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Kniffen, Chief, Regulations Staff (211D), Compensation and Pension Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–9739. (This is not a toll-free telephone number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following public laws revised VA's statutes regarding specially adapted housing and special home adaptation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Facilitating Shareholder Director Nominations, Release Nos. 33–9046; 34–60089; IC–28765; File No. S7–10–09 (June 10, 2009) [74 FR 29024].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Comment File No. S7-10-09, available at http://www.sec.gov/comments/s7-10-09/s71009.shtml.