

Total Annual Burden: 518,000 hours.
Abstract: Public Law 101-604 (entitled the Aviation Security Improvement Act of 1990, or "ASIA 90," and later codified as 49 U.S.C. 44909) requires that certificated air carriers and large foreign air carriers collect the full name of each U.S. citizen traveling on flight segments to or from the United States and solicit a contact name and telephone number. In case of an aviation disaster, airlines would be required to provide the information to the Department of State and, in certain circumstances, to the National Transportation Safety Board. Each carrier would develop its own collection system. The Passenger Manifest Information, Final Rule (14 CFR 243) was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 32 (February 18, 1998). The rule was effective March 20, 1998.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether this collection of information (third party notification) is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Todd M. Homan,

Director, Office of Aviation Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Civil Supersonic Aircraft Panel Discussion

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting participation.

SUMMARY: This notice advises interested persons that the FAA is participating in a panel session on civil supersonic aircraft research. The session will include presentations on current research programs and a question and answer session for attendees. The FAA is seeking to raise public awareness of the continuing technological advances in supersonic aircraft technology aimed at reducing the intensity of sonic boom.

DATES: The public session will take place on Sunday, March 1, 2009. The panel discussion is from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Palm Springs, CA.

ADDRESSES: The symposium is sponsored by the University of California Davis Air Quality Research Center and it will be held at the Hilton Palm Springs Hotel, 400 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA.

Attendance is open to all interested parties, and there are no fees to attend this session.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurette Fisher, Office of Environment and Energy (AEE-100), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; facsimile (202) 267-5594, telephone (202) 267-3561.

Background: Since March 1973, supersonic flight over land by civil aircraft has been prohibited in the United States. The Concorde was the only civil supersonic airplane that offered service to the United States, but that airplane is no longer in service.

The interest in supersonic aircraft technology has not disappeared. Current research is dedicated toward reducing the impact of sonic booms as they reach the ground, in an effort to make overland flight acceptable. Recent research has produced promising results for low boom intensity, and has renewed interest in developing supersonic civil aircraft that could be considered environmentally acceptable for supersonic flight over land.

The FAA led its first panel discussion entitled, "State of the Art of Supersonics Aircraft Technology—What has progressed in science since 1973," in Chicago, IL on Friday, October 24, 2008, as part of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Symposium.

The FAA's second presentation and panel discussion will take place on Sunday, March 1, 2009, as part of the Annual University of California Symposium on Aviation Noise and Air Quality. It will be held at the Hilton Palm Springs Hotel, 400 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California.

The purpose of this panel session is to raise public awareness on advances in supersonic technology, and for the FAA, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and industry to get feedback from interested persons.

Public involvement is essential in any future definition of an acceptable new standard that would allow supersonic flights over land. We anticipate that this will be the second of many meetings informing the public on developments in the research of shaped sonic booms

and other technical and environmental challenges that need to be addressed in developing a new supersonic airplane.

More information about the University of California Symposium can be found at: <http://www.cevs.ucdavis.edu/Cofred/Public/Aca/ConfHome.cfm?confid=392>.

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Director of Environment and Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Special Committee 147 Sixty Eighth Plenary: Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Special Committee 147 meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 147: Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 12, 2009 from 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc. 1828 L Street, Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 147 meeting and Working Group 75. The agenda will include:

- March 12:
 - Opening Plenary Session: (Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Review/Approval if minutes from 67th SC-147 meeting, Review Agenda).
 - Surveillance Working Group: Request to consider/approve for final review and comment (FRAC) Change 1 to DO-300.
 - Requirements Working Group: Request to consider/approve for FRAC Change 1 to DO-185B.
 - EUROCAE WG-75: Status of current activities.