

Republic of Niger
 Federal Republic of Nigeria
 Republic of Rwanda
 Sao Tome & Principe
 Republic of Senegal
 Republic of Seychelles
 Republic of Sierra Leone
 Republic of South Africa
 United Republic of Tanzania
 Republic of Togo
 Republic of Uganda
 Republic of Zambia

The following sub-Saharan African countries were not designated as beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries in 2015:

Central African Republic
 Democratic Republic of Congo
 The Gambia
 Republic of Equatorial Guinea
 State of Eritrea
 Somalia
 Republic of South Sudan
 Republic of Sudan
 Kingdom of Swaziland
 Republic of Zimbabwe

Notice of Public Hearing

In addition to written comments from the public on the matters listed above, the Subcommittee of the TPSC will convene a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2015, to receive testimony related to sub-Saharan African countries' eligibility for AGOA's benefits. Requests to present oral testimony at the hearing and pre-hearing briefs, statements, or comments must be received by September 3, 2015.

The hearing will be held at 1724 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20508 and will be open to the public and to the press. A transcript of the hearing will be made available on www.regulations.gov within approximately two weeks of the hearing.

All interested parties wishing to present oral testimony at the hearing must submit, following the "Requirements for Submissions" set out below, the name, address, telephone number, and email address, if available, of the witness(es) representing their organization by 5 p.m., Thursday, September 3, 2015. The intent to testify notification must be made in the "Type Comment" field under docket number USTR-2015-0011 on the www.regulations.gov Web site and should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person presenting the testimony. A summary of the testimony should be attached by using the "Upload File" field. The name of the file should also include who will be presenting the testimony. Remarks at the hearing should be limited to no more than five minutes to allow for possible questions from the TPSC.

All documents should be submitted in accordance with the instructions below.

Requirements for Submissions

Persons submitting a notification of intent to testify and/or written comments must do so electronically by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 3, 2015, using www.regulations.gov, docket number USTR-2015-0011. Instructions for submitting business confidential versions are provided below. Hand-delivered submissions will not be accepted. All written materials must be submitted in English to the Chairman of the AGOA Implementation Subcommittee of the TPSC.

Business Confidential Submissions

An interested party requesting that information contained in a submission be treated as business confidential information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter. Confidential business information must be clearly designated as such. The submission must be marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page, and the submission should indicate, via brackets, the specific information that is confidential. Additionally, "Business Confidential" must be included in the "Type Comment" field. For any submission containing business confidential information, a non-confidential version must be submitted separately (*i.e.*, not as part of the same submission with the confidential version), indicating where confidential information has been redacted. The non-confidential version will be placed in the docket and open to public inspection.

Public Viewing of Review Submissions

Submissions in response to this notice, except for information granted "business confidential" status under 15 CFR 2003.6, will be available for public viewing pursuant to 15 CFR 2007.6 at www.regulations.gov upon completion of processing. Such submissions may be viewed by entering the country-specific docket number in the search field at www.regulations.gov.

Edward Gresser,

Acting Chair, Trade Policy Staff Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. 2015-49]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Lockheed Martin Corporation

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before September 3, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2015-3257 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202-493-2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy>.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the

West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thuy H. Cooper (202) 267-4715 Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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Lirio Liu,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2015-3257.

Petitioner: Lockheed Martin

Corporation.

Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected: 91.121.

Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner seeks an exemption to operate its small unmanned aircraft system less than 1,000 feet above ground level.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[Docket No. FTA-2015-0010]

Notice of Buy America Waiver for a Variable Refrigerant Flow HVAC System

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Buy America waiver.

SUMMARY: In response to the City of Kansas City, Missouri's request for a Buy America waiver for a Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) HVAC system, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) hereby waives its Buy America requirements for the VRF HVAC system to be installed at the Vehicle Maintenance Facility (VMF) associated with the Kansas City Downtown Streetcar Project. This waiver is limited to a single procurement for the VRF HVAC system for the VMF, an FTA-funded project.

DATES: This waiver is effective immediately.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard L. Wong, FTA Attorney-Advisor, at (202) 366-4011 or richard.wong@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this notice is to announce that FTA has granted a Buy America non-availability waiver for Kansas City's procurement of a VRF HVAC system for the VMF.

With certain exceptions, FTA's Buy America requirements prevent FTA from obligating an amount that may be appropriated to carry out its program for a project unless "the steel, iron, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States." 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(1). A manufactured product is considered produced in the United States if: (1) All of the manufacturing processes for the product take place in the United States; and (2) all of the components of the product are of U.S. origin. A component is considered of U.S. origin if it is manufactured in the United States, regardless of the origin of its subcomponents. 49 CFR 661.5(d). If, however, FTA determines that "the steel, iron, and goods produced in the United States are not produced in a sufficient and reasonably available amount or are not of a satisfactory quality," then FTA may issue a non-availability waiver. 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(B); 49 CFR 661.7(c).

Kansas City requested a non-availability waiver for a VRF HVAC system that will be installed into the VMF. The VMF is being built to the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards and will incorporate a number of sustainable and energy efficient elements. One of those elements is a VRF HVAC system that, among other things, is space saving, has inverter technology, efficiency, and a non-ozone depleting refrigerant that domestic manufacturers of HVAC systems do not provide. According to Kansas City, its contractor was directed to evaluate the substitution of a Buy America-compliant Variable Air Volume (VAV) system, but the contractor advised it that the VAV system would endanger the project's LEED Gold certification because of the difference in efficiency between the VAV and VRF HVAC systems. In addition, the substitution of a VAV system would require significant changes to the project, such as the alteration of already-erected structural elements that were designed to accommodate a VRF system and additional design changes and plan reviews by the City of Kansas City.

Kansas City points to two recent non-availability waivers FTA issued to San Bernardino Associated Governments (79 FR 61129, October 9, 2014) and Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District (79 FR 34653, June 17, 2014), as well as to a blanket non-availability waiver issued by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in 2010 for VRF HVAC systems procured with American Reinvestment and Recovery Act funding (75 FR 35447, June 22,

2010). According to Kansas City, the U.S. DOE's determination of non-availability and FTA's recent SANBAG and Rock Island waivers, as well as Kansas City's contractor's research, indicate that this product is not manufactured domestically. Finally, FTA, in collaboration with the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership, conducted a nationwide search to determine if any company currently manufactures a compatible VRF system that complies with Buy-America. The search revealed that no company currently can provide a Buy-America compliant VRF system that meets Kansas City's specifications.

On Wednesday, July 22, 2015, and in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(3)(A), FTA published a notice in the **Federal Register** requesting public comment on, among other topics, the merits of Kansas City's waiver request and potential effects of granting the waiver. The public comment period closed on August 5, 2015. No comments were received.

Based on Kansas City's assertions that it is unable to procure a U.S.-manufactured VRF HVAC system, which is critical to obtaining LEED Gold certification, and the fact that no public comments were received, FTA hereby waives its Buy America requirement for manufactured products under 49 CFR 661.5(d) for the VRF HVAC system. This waiver is limited to a single procurement for the VRF HVAC system for Kansas City's VMF project.

Dana Nifosi,

Acting Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Pilot Program for Expedited Project Delivery

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice: Extension of application deadline

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 20008 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), Public Law 112-141, FTA published a Notice for Expressions of Interest (EI) for proposals for the Pilot Program for Expedited Project Delivery on July 7, 2015. Due to a technical issue with the electronic mail address that has been resolved, FTA is extending the application