

proposed AD. We also estimate that it would take about 2 work hours per engine to perform the proposed inspection at a hot section inspection interval, and 30 work hours per engine to replace impellers found with a groove or a step in the rear face at shop visit. The average labor rate is \$65 per work hour. Required parts would cost about \$55,427 per engine. Based on these figures, we estimate that for impellers inspected at hot section inspections, the total labor cost of the proposed AD to U.S. operators is \$96,200. On the basis of 100 percent replacement, the total labor cost of the proposed AD to U.S. operators is estimated to be \$1,443,000 and the parts replacement cost is estimated to be \$41,015,980 for a total replacement cost of \$42,555,180.

Regulatory Findings

We have determined that this proposed AD would not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This proposed AD would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that the proposed regulation:

1. Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866;
2. Is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and
3. Would not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared a summary of the costs to comply with this proposal and placed it in the AD Docket. You may get a copy of this summary by sending a request to us at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. Include "AD Docket No. 2003-NE-41-AD" in your request.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Pratt & Whitney Canada: Docket No. 2003-NE-41-AD.

Comments Due Date

(a) The Federal Aviation Administration must receive comments on this airworthiness directive (AD) action by January 12, 2004.

Affected ADs

- (b) None.

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Pratt & Whitney Canada (PWC) JT15D-1, -1A, and -1B turbofan engines with certain impellers, part number (P/N) 3020365, installed. These engines are installed on, but not limited to, Cessna Aircraft Company Models 500 and 501 airplanes.

Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD is prompted by three reports of uncontained failure of the impeller. We are issuing this AD to prevent uncontained failure of the impeller and possible damage to the airplane.

Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified unless the actions have already been done.

(f) If you have already inspected the impeller, P/N 3020365, using PWC overhaul manual Revision 14, or if the impeller is listed in Appendix A of PWC (SB) No. JT15D-72-7590, dated May 23, 2003, no further action is required.

One-Time Borescope Inspection

(g) Perform a one-time borescope inspection of the impeller rear face for evidence of a machined groove or step, using paragraph 3.B. of Accomplishment Instructions of PWC SB No. JT15D-72-7590, dated May 23, 2003; as follows:

- (1) For engines with 5,000 or more cycles-since-new (CSN) on the effective date of this AD, inspect within 250 cycles-in-service (CIS) after the effective date of this AD.
- (2) For engines with fewer than 5,000 CSN on the effective date of this AD, inspect before reaching 5,250 CSN.

Disposition of Inspected Impellers

(h) Before further flight, repair or replace impellers that do not pass the inspection requirements of paragraph 3.B.(8) of Accomplishment Instructions of PWC SB No. JT15D-72-7590, dated May 23, 2003.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(i) The Manager, Engine Certification Office, has the authority to approve alternative methods of compliance for this AD if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

Material Incorporated by Reference

(j) You must use PWC SB No. JT15D-72-7590, dated May 23, 2003, to perform the one-time inspection required by this AD.

Approval of incorporation by reference from the Office of the Federal Register is pending.

Related Information

(k) Transport Canada airworthiness directive CF-2003-17, dated June 23, 2003, also addresses the subject of this AD.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on November 6, 2003.

Robert Guyotte,

Acting Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

22 CFR Parts 96 and 98

[Public Notice: 4537]

RIN 1400-AA-88 (Part 96); 1400-AB-69 (Part 98)

Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption; Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000; Accreditation of Agencies; Approval of Persons; Preservation of Convention Records; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Department of State (the Department) is extending by 30 days the public comment period for the proposed rules on the Accreditation of Agencies and Approval of Persons under the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption (the Convention) and the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000 (the IAA) and on the Preservation of Convention Records. The proposed rules were published in part II of the **Federal Register** on September 15, 2003 (68 FR 54064; 68 FR 54119). In response to public requests for additional time, the Department is extending the public comment period closing date from November 14, 2003, to December 15, 2003, for parts 96 and 98.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Commenters may send hard copy submissions or comments in electronic format. Commenters sending only hard copies must send an original and two copies referencing docket number State/AR-01/96 or State/AR-01/98 to: U.S. Department of State, CA/OCS/PRI, Adoption Regulations Docket Room, SA-29, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20520. Hard copy comments may also be sent by overnight courier services to: U.S. Department of State, CA/OCS/PRI, Adoption Regulations Docket Room, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20520. Do

not personally hand deliver comments to the Department of State.

Comments referencing the docket number State/AR-01/96 or State/AR-01/98 may be submitted electronically to adoptionregs@state.gov. Two hard copies of the comments submitted electronically must be mailed under separate cover as well. Electronic comments must be made in the text of the message or submitted as a Word file avoiding the use of any form of encryption or use of special characters. If you submit comments by hard copy rather than electronically, include a disk with the submission if possible. Hard copy submissions without an accompanying disk file, however, will be accepted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna Mary Coburn or Jessica Rosenbaum at 202-647-2826. Hearing- or speech-impaired persons may use the Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) by contacting the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 15, 2003, the Department published in part II of the **Federal Register** proposed rules to implement the Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption and the IAA. The proposed rule for 22 CFR part 96 covered the accreditation and approval of agencies and persons seeking to provide adoption services for intercountry adoptions involving two countries party to the Convention (68 FR 54064). The proposed rule for 22 CFR part 98 covered the preservation of Convention records held by the Department and the Department of Homeland Security (68 FR 54119).

You can view electronic versions of the proposed rules on <http://www.regulations.gov>. Comments on the proposed rules were required to be received on or before November 14, 2003. The Department is extending the comment period for an additional 30 days. Comments must be received on or before December 15, 2003. Anyone seeking to submit comments must follow the procedures specified in the ADDRESSES section of the proposed rules as published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 54064, September 15, 2003).

Dated: November 7, 2003.

Maura Harty,

*Assistant Secretary for Consular Affairs,
Department of State.*

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48 CFR Parts 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 609, 611, 612, 613, 616, 617, 619, 622, 623, 625, 626, 628, 630, 632, 636, 637, 642, 651, 652, 653

[Public Notice 4525]

RIN 1400-AB06

Department of State Acquisition Regulation (DOSAR)

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule makes various changes to the DOSAR. It updates the DOSAR to reflect the current acquisition organizational structure; provides information regarding electronic commerce initiatives as they relate to acquisition; outlines the Department's participation in the Defense Priorities Allocation System; incorporates a Small Business Administration (SBA) waiver regarding 8(a) competitive actions; establishes the Department's Mentor-Protégé Program; eliminates the requirement to collect data on minority business status; adds guidance and related clauses and provisions regarding overseas construction projects subject to the Foreign Service Buildings Act, as amended, and the Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act; adds guidance and a related provision regarding the acquisition of local guard services overseas; and, provides information regarding the Contractor Performance System. Finally, the proposed rule contains miscellaneous technical amendments and corrections needed to bring the DOSAR in line with recent changes in the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

DATES: Public comments must be received by January 12, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: Gladys Gines, Procurement Analyst, Department of State, Office of the Procurement Executive, 2201 C Street NW., Suite 603, State Annex Number 6, Washington, DC 20522-0602; e-mail address: ginesgg@state.gov. Please cite Department of State Acquisition Regulation in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gladys Gines, telephone (703) 516-1691 or at the e-mail address specified above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

As indicated in the Summary, the proposed rule makes numerous changes in a variety of areas. The more substantive changes are:

- Revision to 601.603-70 to delete several acquisition offices that have been eliminated.
- Addition of information in 604.502 regarding the posting of domestic solicitations on the Statebuy Interactive Platform (SIP). The SIP is Internet-based.
- Extension of the waiver in 605.202-70 to March 12, 2004, as approved by the agency head. Numerous administrative changes are made to Part 605 and other parts of the DOSAR to change the references to the Commerce Business Daily (CBD) to the Governmentwide Point of Entry (GPE), in accordance with Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 97-26.
- Addition of 609.404-70 to require that contracting officers, in addition to checking the Excluded Parties List, also check the list of entities on the Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control List.
- Removal of the class deviation in 609.405 regarding checking the Excluded Parties List (EPL). The class deviation waived the requirement for overseas contracting activities to check the EPL, as well as waived the requirement for domestic contracting activities for actions under the simplified acquisition threshold. This deviation was put in place when the EPL was available only in hard copy, and receipt by both domestic and overseas contracting activities was inconsistent. Now that the EPL is available on the Internet, the class deviation is no longer required.
- Addition of a new Subpart 611.6. This reflects the Department's authority to use the Defense Priorities Allocation System (DPAS) for acquisitions related to the Department's Embassy Security Protection Program, as authorized by the Department of Commerce.
- Addition of a new Part 612 to delegate to the Head of the Contracting Activity the approval of requests for waiver to tailor a commercial item clause or provision that is inconsistent with customary commercial practices.
- Addition to 613.303-5 to allow for the placement of individual orders against blanket purchase agreements for commercial items that exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.
- Addition of Bureau Executive Directors to 617.504-70(a) as signatories of Economy Act Interagency Acquisition Agreements.
- Addition of HUBZone small, veteran-owned small, and service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses to the list of small business concerns in Part 619.
- Addition of 619.202-70 to outline the Department's Mentor-Protégé