

foreign manufacturers that it has identified as being capable of meeting the technical requirements.

The purpose of this notice is to request manufacturers, both domestic and foreign, to advise FAA of the system that they manufacture and whether it can meet the technical requirements. The detailed instructions for submitting the qualifications statement, including forms, may be found on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal\\_contract\\_provisions/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/) at the tab entitled, Airport Avian Radar System Request for Qualifications.

After review, the FAA may issue a nationwide waiver to Buy American Preferences for the foreign manufacturers. This "nationwide waiver" allows the equipment to be used on airport projects without having to receive separate project waivers. Having a nationwide waiver allows projects to start quickly without have to wait for the Buy American analysis to be completed for every project, while still assuring the funds used for airport projects under the Act are being directed to U.S. manufacturers.

The items that have been granted a "nationwide waiver" can be found on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal\\_contract\\_provisions/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/) at the tab entitled, Equipment Meeting Buy American Requirements.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice to Manufacturers of Airport In-Pavement Stationary Runway Weather Information Systems

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice to Manufacturers of In-Pavement Stationary Runway Weather Information Systems.

**SUMMARY:** Projects funded under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) must meet the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 50101, Buy American Preferences. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is considering issuing waivers to foreign manufacturers of Active or Passive In-Pavement Stationary Runway Weather Information Systems that meet the

requirements of FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5220-30, Airport Winter Safety and Operations. This notice requests information from manufacturers of systems meeting the technical requirements to determine whether a waiver to the Buy American Preferences should be issued.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Nancy S. Williams, Airports Financial Assistance, APP 501, Room 619, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-3831.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) manages a Federal grant program for airports called the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). AIP grant recipients must follow 49 U.S.C. 50101, Buy American Preferences.

Under 49 U.S.C. 50101(b)(3), the Secretary of Transportation may waive the Buy American Preference requirement if the goods are not produced in a sufficient and reasonably available amount or are not of a satisfactory quality.

The purpose of this notice is to request manufacturers of both passive and active in-pavement runway surface condition sensor systems, both domestic and foreign, to advise FAA of the system that they manufacture and whether it can meet the FAA Advisory Circular technical requirements. The detailed instructions for submitting the qualifications statement, including forms, may be found on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal\\_contract\\_provisions/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/) at the tab entitled, In-Pavement Runway Surface Condition Sensor Systems Request For Qualifications.

The FAA wants to determine if there is sufficient quantity of domestic manufacturers capable of meeting the FAA technical requirements. If the FAA cannot find that there are USA manufacturers, it will issue a nationwide waiver to the foreign manufacturers identified as being capable of meeting the technical requirements.

**Technical Requirements:** FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5220-30, Airport Winter Safety and Operations recommends that in-pavement runway sensor systems comply with the performance and installation requirements of SAE Aerospace Recommended Practice 5533, Stationary Runway Weather Information System (In-pavement). The SAE specification is available for purchase at <http://www.sae.org>. Because the recommendations in an Advisory

Circular become mandatory for airports using AIP grant funds, an in-pavement runway surface condition sensor system project that includes any AIP grant funding must meet the requirements of SAE ARP5533.

After review, the FAA may issue a nationwide waiver to Buy American Preferences for foreign manufacturers or United States manufacturers that do not meet the Buy American Preference requirements. Waivers will not be issued for manufacturers that do not fully meet the technical requirements. This "nationwide waiver" allows equipment to be used on airport projects without having to receive separate project waivers. Having a nationwide waiver allows projects to start quickly without have to wait for the Buy American analysis to be completed for every project, while still assuring the funds used for airport projects under the Act are being directed to U.S. manufacturers.

Items that have been granted a "nationwide waiver" can be found on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal\\_contract\\_provisions/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/) at the tab entitled, Equipment Meeting Buy American Requirements.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee—Public Teleconference

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee Teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a teleconference of the Space Transportation Operations Working Group (STOWG) of the Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC). The teleconference will take place on Thursday, November 17, 2011, starting at 11 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. Individuals who plan to participate should contact Susan Lender, DFO, (the Contact Person listed below) by phone or email for the teleconference call in

number. The proposed agenda for this teleconference is to follow up on issues raised during the October 13, 2011, STOWG meeting. These issues include:

- Gathering best practice guidelines on the long-term sustainability of space for consideration by the UN Office of Outer Space Affairs; and
- Collecting COMSTAC's suggestions for revisions to Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 420.

Interested members of the public may submit relevant written statements for the COMSTAC working group members to consider under the advisory process. Statements may concern the issues and agenda items mentioned above or additional issues that may be relevant for the U.S. commercial space transportation industry. Interested parties wishing to submit written statements should contact Susan Lender, DFO, (the Contact Person listed below) in writing (mail or email) by November 14, 2011, so that the information can be made available to COMSTAC members for their review and consideration before the November 17, 2011, teleconference. Written statements should be supplied in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature or one electronic copy via email.

An agenda will be posted on the FAA Web site at <http://www.faa.gov/go/ast>.

Individuals who plan to participate and need special assistance should inform the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Lender (AST-5), Office of Commercial Space Transportation (AST), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 331, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-8029; Email [susan.lender@faa.gov](mailto:susan.lender@faa.gov). Complete information regarding COMSTAC is available on the FAA Web site at: [http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/ast/advisory\\_committee/](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/advisory_committee/).

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**George C. Nield,**

*Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### **Eighty-Seventh: RTCA Special Committee 159: Global Positioning System (GPS)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 159 meeting: Global Positioning System (GPS).

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 159: Global Positioning System (GPS) 87th meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held November 14–18, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1150 18th Street, NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The RTCA Secretariat, 1150 18th Street, NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by telephone at (202) 833-9339, fax at (202) 833-9434, or Web site at <http://www.rtca.org>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 159, Global Positioning System (GPS). The agenda will include the following:

#### **November 14–17, 2011**

- *Working Group Sessions*
- November 14—Working Group 2C, GPS/Inertial
- November 15—Working Group 2, GPS/WAAS
- November 16—Working Group 2, GPS WAAS and Working Group 4, Precision Landing Guidance (GPS/LAAS)
- November 17—Working Group 4, Precision Landing Guidance (GPS/LAAS)

#### **November 18, 2011**

- *Plenary Session*
- Chairman's Introductory Remarks
- Approval of Summary of the 86th Meeting held June 17th, 2011, RTCA Paper No. 202-11/SC159-997
- Review Working Group (WG) Progress and Identify Issues for Resolution
- GPS/3rd Civil Frequency (WG-1)
- GPS/WAAS (WG-2)
- GPS/GLONASS (WG-2A)
- GPS/Inertial (WG-2C)
- GPS/Precision Landing Guidance (WG-4)

- GPS/Airport Surface Surveillance (WG-5)
- GPS/Interference (WG-6)
- GPS/Antennas (WG-7)
- Review of EUROCAE Activities
- SC-159 Ad Hoc—Discussion—Matrix Report
- Assignment/Review of Future Work
- Other Business
- Date and Place of Next Meeting
- Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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**Robert L. Bostiga,**

*Manager, RTCA Advisory Committee.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### **Tenth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee 224, Airport Security Access Control**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 224, Airport Security Access Control.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 224, Airport Security Access Control.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held November 17, 2011, from 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1150 18th Street, NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The RTCA Secretariat, 1150 18th Street, NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by telephone at (202) 833-9339, fax at (202) 833-9434, or Web site at <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., App.), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 224, Airport Security Access Control. The agenda will include the following: