

Agreements Act (URAA) (19 U.S.C. 3537(b)(1)) requires that notice and opportunity for comment be provided after the United States receives a request for the establishment of a WTO dispute settlement panel. Consistent with this obligation, but in an effort to provide additional opportunity for comment, USTR is providing notice that consultations have been requested pursuant to the WTO Dispute Settlement Understanding. If such consultations should fail to resolve the matter and a dispute settlement panel is established pursuant to the DSU, such panel, which would hold its meetings in Geneva, Switzerland, would be expected to issue a report on its findings and recommendations within six to nine months after it is established.

Major Issues Raised by Brazil

In its consultation request, Brazil alleges that in United States—Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Certain Hot-Rolled Lead and Bismuth Carbon Steel Products, WT/DS138/AB/R, the WTO Appellate Body found Commerce's change in ownership methodology to be inconsistent with the SCM Agreement. Brazil alleges that the Appellate Body found that Commerce had not properly examined whether financial contributions made prior to a change of ownership conferred a benefit on the current producer of the subject goods. Therefore, Brazil alleges that the continued application of Commerce's change in ownership methodology in the cited countervailing duty determinations violates Articles 1.1(b), 10, 14, 19 and 21 of the SCM Agreement (and, in the case of the certain hot-rolled steel from Brazil investigation, Article 11.9). According to Brazil, if the United States had properly examined the nature of the change in ownership in each of the countervailing duty proceedings identified in Brazil's request for consultations, Commerce would have found that no benefit was conferred to the purchasers of the companies in question in the context of the privatizations.

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the issues raised in the dispute. Comments must be in English and provided in fifteen copies. A person requesting that information contained in a comment submitted by that person be treated as confidential business information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the commenter.

Confidential business information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page of each copy.

Information or advice contained in a comment submitted, other than business confidential information, may be determined by USTR to be confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155(g)(2)). If the submitter believes that information or advice may qualify as such, the submitter—

(1) Must so designate the information or advice;

(2) Must clearly mark the material as "SUBMITTED IN CONFIDENCE" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page of each copy; and

(3) Is encouraged to provide a non-confidential summary of the information or advice.

Pursuant to section 127(e) of the URAA (19 U.S.C. 3537(e)), USTR will maintain a file on this dispute settlement proceeding, accessible to the public, in the USTR Reading Room: Room 101, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508. The public file will include a listing of any comments received by USTR from the public with respect to the proceeding; the U.S. submissions to the panel in the proceeding, the submissions, or non-confidential summaries of submissions, to the panel received from other participants in the dispute, as well as the report of the dispute settlement panel, and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body. An appointment to review the public file (Docket WTO/D-218, Change in Ownership Methodology Dispute—Brazil) may be made by calling Brenda Webb, (202) 395-6186. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Proposed Advisory Circulars; Vibration and Fatigue Evaluation of Airplane Propellers and Guidance Material for Fatigue Limit Tests and Composite Blade Fatigue Substantiation

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed advisory circulars and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the availability of two draft advisory circulars (ACs): AC No. 20-66 [DRAFT], Vibration and Fatigue Evaluation of Airplane Propellers, and AC 35.37-1 [DRAFT], Guidance Material for Fatigue Limit Tests and Composite Blade Fatigue Substantiation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed ACs to the Federal Aviation Administration, Attn: Engine and Propeller Standards Staff, ANE-110, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jay Turnberg, Engine and Propeller Standards Staff, ANE-110, at the above address; telephone: (781) 238-7116; fax: (781) 238-7199; e-mail: jay.turnberg@faa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

A copy of the subject ACs may be obtained by contacting the person named under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or by downloading the draft ACs from the following Internet website: www.faa.gov/avr/air/acs/draftach.htm. The FAA invites interested parties to comment on the proposed ACs. Comments should identify the subject of the AC and be submitted to the individual identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. The FAA will consider all communications received by the closing date before issuing the final ACs.

Background

The FAA issued AC 20-66, "Vibration Evaluation of Airplane Propellers," on January 29, 1970. The FAA issued AC 35.37-1, Change 1, "Composite Propeller Blade Fatigue Substantiation," on September 7, 1993. Since the issuance of these ACs, there have been substantial technological advances in the design, fabrication and continued airworthiness of propellers. These advances have involved the introduction of composite materials, the development of damage tolerance methodologies, and a better understanding of the propeller operating environment.

The FAA has decided to revise AC 20-66 and AC 35.37-1 simultaneously, based on the relationship between the propeller fatigue limits developed to show compliance with § 35.37, Fatigue

limit tests, and the propeller vibration evaluation conducted on an airplane to show compliance with §§ 23.907 and 25.907, Propeller vibration. To update these advisory circulars, the FAA has incorporated substantial contributions from the Propeller Harmonization Working Group (PHWG) tasked on August 17, 1994, by the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC). Part of the PHWG task was to clarify and redefine existing propeller requirements to include new standards to reflect recent advancement in the design and construction of composite material propellers. The proposed ACs would revise the Current ACs to address recent technological advances.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701–44702, 44704.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on January 19, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Advisory Circular; Bird Ingestion Certification Standards

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Advisory Circular on Bird Ingestion Certification Standards.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of Advisory Circular (AC) No. 33.76–1, Bird Ingestion Certification Standards.

DATES: Advisory Circular No. 33.76–1 was issued by the New England Aircraft Certification Service, Engine and Propeller Directorate on January 19, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marc Bouthillier, Engine and Propeller Standards Staff, ANE–110, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA, 01803; telephone: (781) 238–7120; fax: (781) 238–7199; e-mail: marc.bouthillier@faa.gov. The subject AC is available on the Internet at the following address: <http://www.faa.gov/avr/air/acs/achome.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This advisory circular (AC) provides guidance and acceptable methods, but not the only methods, that may be used to demonstrate compliance with the new bird ingestion requirements § 33.76 of the Federal Aviation Regulations,

Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These new standards were published in the **Federal Register** on September 14, 2000 (65 FR 66848) and became effective on December 13, 2000. Although this AC refers to regulatory requirements that are mandatory, this AC is not, in itself, mandatory. This AC neither changes any regulatory requirements nor authorizes changes in or deviations from the regulatory requirements.

Background

This effort was adopted as a part 33 and Joint Aviation Regulations for engines (JAR–E) harmonization project and was selected as an Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) project. This AC provides information and guidance that address Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) type certification standards for aircraft turbine engines with regard to bird ingestion. The requirements of § 33.76 reflect recent analysis of the bird threat encountered in service by turbine engine powered aircraft.

This advisory circular, published under the authority granted to the Administrator by 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701–44702, 44704, provides guidance for these requirements.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on January 19, 2001.

Jay J. Pardee,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent to Rule on Request to Release Airport Land at the Chiriaco Summit Airport, Chiriaco Summit, California

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request to release airport land.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the release of approximately 1.72 acres of land at Chiriaco Summit Airport, Chiriaco Summit, California, from all restrictions of the surplus property agreement. The purpose of the release is to permit the sale of the property for construction of an electrical substation to serve the airport and surrounding community.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, 15000 Aviation Blvd., Lawndale, CA 90261. In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Keith D. Downs, Grant Manager, Economic Development Agency, Riverside County, 3525 Fourteenth Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ellsworth Chan, Manager, Safety and Standards Branch, AWP–620, 15000 Aviation Blvd., Lawndale, CA 90261, Telephone: (310) 725–3620. The request to release airport property may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On April 5, 2000, new authorizing legislation became effective. That bill, the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21), Public Law 10–181 (Apr. 5, 2000; 114 Stat. 61), requires that a 30 day public notice must be provided before the Secretary may waive any condition imposed on an interest in surplus property.

The following is a brief overview of the request:

The county of Riverside requested the release of approximately 1.72 acres of dedicated airport land at Chiriaco Summit Airport, Chiriaco Summit, California, from surplus property agreement obligations. The purpose of the release is to permit the sale of the property to the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) for non-aviation uses. The IID proposes to use the property for development of an electrical substation to serve the Chiriaco Summit Airport and the surrounding community. The net proceeds will be utilized for airport improvements.

Issued in Hawthorne, California, on January 11, 2001.

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Manager, Airports Division, Western-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on Request To Release the Entire Desert Center Airport, Desert Center, California

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.