

NOTICE

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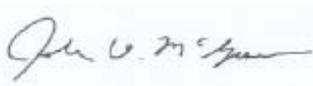
SUBJ: Fiscal Year 2010 Airworthiness Surveillance Requirements for Part 91 Air
Tour Operators

- 1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice establishes fiscal year (FY) 2010 airworthiness surveillance requirements for Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 91 air tour operators. This notice is applicable to part 91 operators authorized to conduct commercial air tour operations under part 91, § 91.147 in accordance with letter of authorization (LOA) A049. This notice requires Program Tracking and Reporting Subsystem (PTRS) action.
- 2. Audience.** The primary audience for this notice is Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) Airworthiness aviation safety inspectors (ASI) responsible for part 91 commercial air tour operators. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards branches and divisions in the regions and in headquarters.
- 3. Where You Can Find This Notice.** You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee Web site at https://employees.faa.gov/tool_resources/orders_notices. Inspectors can access this notice through the Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS) at <http://fsims.avs.faa.gov>. Operators may find this information on the FAA's Web site at <http://fsims.faa.gov>.
- 4. Background.** The FAA issued Notice N 8900.65 on January 15, 2009, to establish FY 2009 special surveillance requirements for commercial air tour operators in response to National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Safety Recommendations. We intended to revise FAA Order 1800.56, National Flight Standards Work Program Guidelines, current edition, to establish permanent surveillance requirements for air tour operators prior to the cancellation date of the notice. However, due to the revision cycle of the order, we cannot incorporate FY 2010 surveillance requirements. Therefore, this notice establishes FY 2010 surveillance requirements for part 91 air tour operators.
- 5. Action.** For part 91 air tour (airworthiness) operations, these requirements apply to any operator conducting air tour operations under § 91.147. Conduct two of the following eight inspections on 10 percent of air tour operators that are authorized via a LOA within the region (certificate-holding district office (CHDO)). One inspection must be a maintenance inspection and the other must be an avionics inspection. The inspections may be different types (e.g., one maintenance ramp inspection and one avionics spot inspection). These activities will be locally generated. If less than 10 LOAs are issued, two inspections are required.

- (1) Ramp (3627 or 5627).
- (2) Spot (3628 or 5628).
- (3) Aircraft records (3694 or 5694).
- (4) Airworthiness Directive compliance inspection (3696 or 5696).

Note: ASIs will use the “Part 91 LOA ID No.” in the “National Field” box of the PTRS transmittals and list the name of the operator in the “Non-Cert Activity Name/Company” block.

6. Disposition. We will permanently incorporate the information in this notice into FSIMS until this notice expires. Direct questions concerning this notice to the Air Carrier Maintenance Branch, AFS-330, at (202) 385-6443.



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