

NOTICE

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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SUBJ: Review of All DC-9 Series, MD-80 Series, and MD-90 Series Training Programs for Incorporation of SAFO 08018

1. Purpose of This Notice. This notice directs principal operations inspectors (POI) to conduct a focused program review of all operator training programs who operate any of the following aircraft: DC-9 series (all), MD-80 series (all), and MD-90 series (all).

2. Audience. The primary audience for this notice is POIs responsible for the approval and surveillance of training programs. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards personnel in certificate-holding district offices (CHDO), branches and divisions in the regions and 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 Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Web site at <http://fsims.faa.gov>.

4. Background. In August of 2008, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued Safety Alerts for Operators (SAFO) 08018, Fire Handle Characteristics, DC-9, MD-80, and MD-90 Airplanes. This SAFO alerted operators of the need to ensure that their training curricula, aircraft systems manuals and checklists properly address the characteristics of the fire handle.

5. Action. Within 60 days of the effective date of this notice, POIs assigned to a certificate holder which operates any of the above listed DC-9 family of aircraft will review and determine if the operator has incorporated the "Recommended Actions" of SAFO 08018 into their training program and appropriate manuals. The results of this review will require a Program Tracking Reporting Subsystem (PTRS) entry to track the voluntary compliance of the SAFO.

6. PTRS. Once the review of the flight training curriculum and manuals has been completed, the POI will:

a. Compliance. If the operator has complied with the recommendations of SAFO 08018:

- Open a PTRS record using code: 1030.

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- Appropriate Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part: As appropriate.
- Start Date/Results: Completed/Closed Date.
- Operator Designator: As appropriate.
- National Use Field: "YHandle" (without quotes).
- Comments: Not Required.

b. Noncompliance. If the operator has not complied with the recommendations of SAFO 08018:

- Open a PTRS record using code: 1030.
- Appropriate 14 CFR part: As appropriate.
- Start Date/Results: Completed/Closed Date.
- Operator Designator: As appropriate.
- National Use Field: "N8900145" (without quotes).
- Comments: Not Required.

7. Disposition. We will not incorporate the information in this notice in FSIMS. Direct questions regarding this notice to the Air Transportation Division, AFS-210, at (202) 267-8166.

for



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