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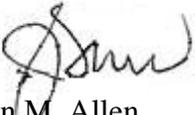
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SUBJ: Inspections of Computer Testing Designee Testing Centers

- 1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice advises that, as of October 1, 2010, inspections of computer testing designee (CTD) testing centers by Flight Standards District Offices (FSDO) and International Field Offices (IFO) are no longer required. The requirement for these inspections will be removed from FAA Order 1800.56, National Flight Standards Work Program Guidelines, in its next revision.
- 2. Audience.** The primary audience for this notice is FSDO and IFO aviation safety inspectors (ASI) and managers. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards branches and divisions in the regions and in headquarters (HQ).
- 3. Where You Can Find This Notice.** You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee Web site at https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices. Inspectors can access this notice through the Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS) at <http://fsims.avs.faa.gov>. Operators and the public can find this notice on the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Web site at <http://fsims.faa.gov>.
- 4. Background.** CTD testing centers are required to be Organization Designation Authority (ODA) holders as defined by Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 183, § 183.41. The Airman Testing Standards Branch (AFS-630) is unilaterally responsible for the oversight of all airman testing centers, both domestic and international. Consequently, Flight Standards field offices are no longer required to inspect these testing centers.
- 5. Action.** FSDO and IFO inspectors should terminate, not cancel, existing CTD testing center inspections in their local work programs in accordance with the procedures in the current edition of FAA Order 1800.56.
- 6. Disposition.** We will permanently incorporate the information in this notice into FSIMS before this notice expires. Direct questions concerning the information in this notice to Ryan C. Smith (AFS-630) at 405-954-6742.

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