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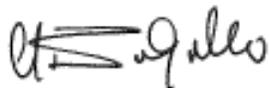
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SUBJ: Updating Web-Based Operations Safety System Air Ambulance Aircraft
Table Data

- 1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice provides guidance for aviation safety inspectors (ASI) assigned to operators conducting Air Ambulance operations under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 135.
- 2. Audience.** The primary audience for this notice is Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), certificate-holding district office (CHDO), and International Field Office (IFO) ASIs. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards Service (AFS) divisions and branches 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 can find this notice on the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Web site at <http://fsims.faa.gov>. This notice is available to the public at http://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/orders_notices.
- 4. Cancellation.** This notice cancels FAA Notice N 8900.253, Updating Web-Based Operations Safety System Air Ambulance Aircraft Table Data, dated February 10, 2014.
- 5. Background.** The FAA has a need for monitoring the number and type of air ambulance aircraft operating within the U.S. National Airspace System (NAS). Until now, that information has not been readily available. Web-based Operations Safety System (WebOPSS) has the capability to record those data; however, that option has not been exercised on a consistent basis.
- 6. Guidance.** Inspector guidance for updating the WebOPSS air ambulance aircraft information can be found in Appendix A, Air Ambulance WebOPSS OpSpec Guidance, and in WebOPSS associated with A021 for helicopter and A024 for airplane air ambulance operations.
- 7. Action.** ASIs responsible for operators affected by the policy in this notice will review the guidance contained in Appendix A to this notice and update the appropriate WebOPSS aircraft data entries for those aircraft that are dedicated to or configured to conduct air ambulance operations. The revisions to the WebOPSS air ambulance aircraft table data are mandatory and must be accomplished within 180 days from the date of this notice. No additional action beyond

updating the WebOPSS aircraft data is necessary. Principal inspectors (PI) do *not* need to reissue any operations specifications (OpSpecs) as a result of this action, nor do they need to notify their operators of this action. Completion of the actions required by this notice should take no more than 10 minutes.

8. Disposition. We will incorporate the information in this notice into FAA Order 8900.1, before this notice expires. Direct questions concerning this notice to the Part 135 Air Carrier Operations Branch (AFS-250) at (202) 267-8166.

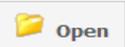
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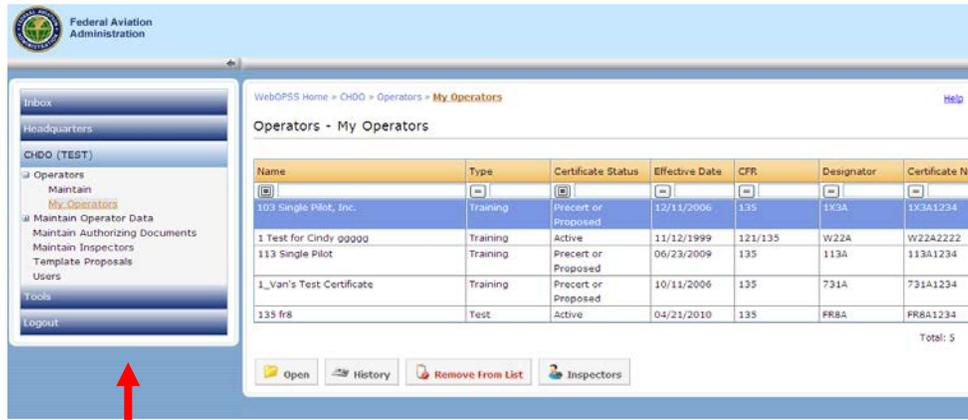
John Barbagallo
Acting Director, Flight Standards Service

Appendix A. Air Ambulance WebOPSS OpSpec Guidance

This appendix provides guidance to principal inspectors (PI) assigned to oversight of those 14 CFR part 135 operators who conduct air ambulance operations.

Step 1) Open Web-based Operations Safety (WebOPSS) and highlight the appropriate operator, then click

“Open”  at the bottom of the page.



Step 2) Under “Maintain Operator Data” select “Aircraft.”



Step 3) Select those aircraft that are dedicated to or configured to conduct air ambulance operations. If you are only updating a single aircraft, follow the steps found in a), below. If you are updating several aircraft, follow the steps in b), below.

a) Updating a **single** aircraft entry only:

I. Highlight the aircraft and click on “**Edit**” at the bottom of the screen.

WebOPSS Home » CHDO » Maintain Operator Data » [Aircraft](#)

Operator - Aircraft

Office Code: TEST Designator: 1X3A Name: 103 Single Pilot, Inc. CFR: 135 [Ch](#)

Manufacturer ▲	Model/Series	Registration Number	Engine Type	In Se
<input type="checkbox"/>	=	=	=	=
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N123P		Yes
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N123Q		Yes
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N314RR		Yes
Maule	M-6-235	N7416C		Yes

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II. Scroll down to “**Authorizations**” and highlight “**Air Ambulance**” from the dropdown list.

AUTHORIZATIONS

3/4-Engine ETOPS	AAIP
ADS-B Out	
Aerial Refueling	
Air Ambulance	

III. Click on the **green** right arrow to move “**Air Ambulance**” over to the authorized list on the right.

AUTHORIZATIONS

3/4-Engine ETOPS	AAIP
ADS-B Out	Air Ambulance
Aerial Refueling	
Air Tour	

IV. Click on “**Save**” at the bottom of the page. Update is complete.

b) Updating **multiple** aircraft.

I. Select the aircraft you wish to edit. There are several methods to select multiple aircraft from the list to be updated.

- i) You may hold down the “**Control**” key to individually select aircraft. Continuously hold the Control key as you use your left mouse button to select individual aircraft until all those you wish to include are selected. This is useful if only some of the aircraft in the list are to be selected and they are not located adjacent to each other in the list.

Operator - Aircraft

Office Code: TEST Designator: 1X3A Name: 103 Single Pilot, Inc. CFR: 135 [Change Operator](#)

Manufacturer	Model/Series	Registration Number	Engine Type	In Service	Weight Type	Nose Number	Serial Num
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N123P		Yes	N/A	N/A	CE0206
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N123Q		Yes	N/A	N/A	CE2061
Cessna	CE-206-U206A	N314RR		Yes	N/A	N/A	CE2062
Maule	M-6-235	N7416C		Yes	N/A	N/A	56464

Total

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- ii) If you are selecting several aircraft that are all listed next to each other, you may hold down the “**Shift**” key while clicking on the first aircraft then, without releasing the “**Shift**” key, selecting the last aircraft of interest. This is useful if you need to select several aircraft that are listed adjacent to each other on the list but are a subset of the entire list of aircraft.

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- iii) If you are selecting all aircraft in the list for editing, you do not need to select any. Simply go to the next step.

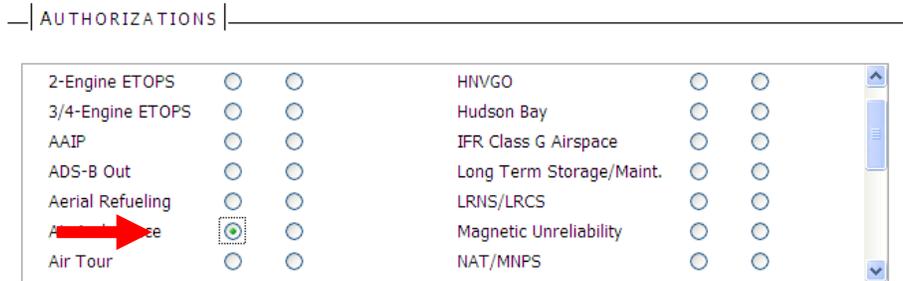
II. Once the appropriate aircraft are selected, press the “**Bulk Edit**” button

 [Bulk Edit](#) at the bottom of the page. You will be notified that you are about to edit multiple aircraft. Confirm by clicking “**Yes**”.



III. Scroll down to “**Authorizations.**” The list of authorizations found in the Bulk Edit page will be different than that seen for single edits. Locate “**Air**

Ambulance” in the Authorizations list and select the left of the two buttons (the **“Add”** column) next to it.



IV. Click the **“Save”** button  at the bottom of the page.

V. You will be asked to confirm that you are about to apply the changes to all of the aircraft. Click **“Yes”** to confirm. This completes the update.

