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 Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, 181 Ellicott Street, Buffalo, New York, 14203, Attn: Ruth Keating, (716) 855-7398
 Earl W. Brydges Public Library, 1425 Main Street, Niagara Falls, New York, 14305, (716) 286-4881
 Niagara Falls International Airport, Niagara Falls Boulevard, Niagara Falls, New York, 14304, (716) 297-4494

Written comments on the IAG final application must be delivered or mailed, in quadruplicate, to: the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket (AGC-200), Docket No. #28895, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Written comments must be marked "Docket No. 28895". Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments must include a preaddressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 28895." The postcard will be date stamped and mailed to the commenter. Comments on this Notice may be delivered or examined in room 915G on weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Commenters planning to speak at the public hearing are not required to submit written comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin C. Willis, Compliance Officer, (202-267-8741), Airport Compliance Division (AAS-400), Office of Airport Safety and Standards, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20591.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 149 of the Federal Aviation Administration Authorization Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-264 (October 9, 1996) (1996 Reauthorization Act), added a new § 47134 to Title 49 of the U.S. Code. Section 47134 authorizes the Secretary of Transportation, and through delegation, the FAA Administrator, to exempt a sponsor of a public use airport that has received Federal assistance from certain Federal requirements in connection with the privatization of the airport by sale or lease to a private party. Specifically, the Administrator may exempt the sponsor from all or part of the requirements to use airport revenues for airport-related purposes (upon approval of 65 percent of the air carriers serving the airport and having 65 percent of the landed weight), to pay back a portion of Federal grants upon the sale of an airport, and to return

airport property deeded by the Federal Government upon transfer of the airport. Since Niagara Falls International Airport is a general aviation airport without air carrier service, the 65 percent approval of air carriers is not required. The Administrator is also authorized to exempt the private purchaser or lessee from the requirement to use all airport revenues for airport-related purposes, to the extent necessary to permit the purchaser or lessee to earn compensation from the operations of the airport.

On September 16, 1997, the FAA issued a notice of procedures to be used in applications for exemption under Airport Privatization Pilot Program (62 FR 48693). The notice of procedures and public comments received are available for review in FAA Rules Docket No. 28895.

On June 5, 2000, NFTA filed a final application and selected Cintra Niagara Falls Airport Corporation, USA, as the airport's private operator. Cintra Niagara proposes to lease the airport under a 99-year lease agreement. It plans to market the airport to develop new services such as low cost domestic passenger flights to business and leisure centers, international charters and cargo services. Cintra Niagara will commit \$10.1 million in the initial 13 years for the purposes of operating, managing and developing the airport. \$1.125 million will be used for operating, marketing and capital improvement costs. The remaining \$8.975 million will be used for marketing expenses and to fund the initial five year capital planning period.

The public meeting scheduled for March 19, 2001, will begin at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium of the Niagara County Community College, 3111 Saunders Settlement Road, Sanborn, NY. NFTA, the airport owner, will provide a brief presentation of the privatization initiative followed by public comments on the IAG final application for inclusion in Docket No. 28895 and considered by the FAA in making its decision on the application. American Sign Language interpretative services will be available. Registration for individuals wishing to speak will begin at 6:30 pm directly outside the auditorium. Because the IAG final application is presently before the agency for a decision, the FAA will not be able to discuss the application or the pending agency decision.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 7, 2001.

David L. Bennett,

Director, Office of Airport Safety and Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Executive Committee of the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Aviation Administration Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

DATES: The meeting will be held April 4, 2001, at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Room 827, Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerri Robinson, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-9678; fax (202) 267-5075; e-mail Gerri.Robinson@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. II), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on April 4, 2001, at the Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Room 827, Washington, DC 20590. The agenda will include:

- Review and approval of previous meeting minutes
- Discussion of the fuel tank design concepts

Attendance is open to the interested public but will be limited to the space available. The FAA will arrange teleconference capability for individuals wishing to participate by teleconference if we receive that notification by March 26, 2001. Arrangements to participate by teleconference can be made by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Callers outside the Washington metropolitan area will be responsible for paying long distance charges.

The public must make arrangements by March 26, 2001, to present oral statements at the meeting. The public

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee

Executive Committee

Meeting Summary

DATE: April 4, 2001

LOCATION: Federal Aviation Administration

800 Independence Ave., SW

Washington, DC 20591

Room 827

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION: The public was informed of this meeting in the Federal Register on March 13, 2001 (66 FR 14617).

ATTENDEES:

Edmond Boullay JAA

Noreen Hannigan FAA

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MEETING SUMMARY

- Glenn Rizner, Vice Chair, Acting Chair for this meeting, called the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) Executive Committee (EXCOM) meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
- Tony Fazio, the ARAC Executive Director, read the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) statement. Introductions were made around the meeting room.

Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes from the February 7, 2001, meeting were reviewed by the EXCOM members. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was approved and the minutes from the February 7, 2001, meeting were adopted.

Presentation by Ken Susko, Aviation Safety Facilitators Corp. (ASFC)

Mr. Susko briefed the Executive Committee on a design concept ASFC believes will help ARAC address the Fuel Tank Inerting issue. Mr. Susko's concept utilizes Ground-Based Inerting along with On-Board Inerting to achieve 100% effectiveness, addresses remote operational aircraft concerns, and on-board liquid nitrogen to inert fuel tanks. A copy of the briefing is attached.

Mr. Larson and Mr. Priddy both voiced their concerns regarding the use of a nitrogen based system.

Mr. Rizner inquired about servicing times with properly trained personnel. Mr. Susko agreed with

Mr. Rizner that this is a major concern of his concept.

Status Report: Fuel Tank Inerting Working Group

- The Executive Committee Update and Concept Review was presented by Co-Chairpersons Brad Moravec and Sean O'Callaghan.
- Mr. O'Callaghan explained the design concepts. This included the Ground-based Fuel Tank Inerting System, Onboard Ground Inerting, On-board Inert Gas Generating System, and the Hybrid On-board Ground Inerting. During the second half of the briefing, Mr. Moravec addressed Rulemaking and Compliance, and the major milestones. The working group will begin drafting. The first draft will be reviewed at the next working group meeting planned for May 15-17 at the Tech. Center. The working group believes they are still on target and will have their task completed on the scheduled date.
- After the briefing, Mr. O'Callaghan and Mr. Moravec answered EXCOM questions.
- A number of questions addressed costs and aircraft turn-a-round time. Sean explained there are preset turn-a-round times for different aircraft types. These times would need to be adhered to if costs are to be kept minimal.
- Paul Larson asked for some ball-park figures. Mr. Moravec stated, these figures were incomplete at this point, but should be available at the next Excom meeting.

- Rod Priddy recommended that Mr. Susko's presentation should be considered by the working group.
- A question was raised about environmental issues and consequences. Mr. Moravec stated this will be documented in the working group's report to the FAA, but the working group was not going to tackle EPA regulations at this time.
- It was inquired if the working group had been able to review the Pentagon's report regarding On-Board Gas Generating Systems. Mr. O'Callaghan assured the members the working group had the opportunity to review and discuss this report.

Following the briefing, the Executive Committee approved the working group's request to begin drafting their report.

Status Reports

Each Assistant Chair gave a brief status report.

Miscellaneous

The Office of Rulemaking will be sponsoring 3 regulatory courses.

- April 30-May 4, 2001 in Seattle, WA
- July 16-20, 2001 in Washington, DC
- September TBD

If you have an interest, please contact Charlene Brown at 202-267-8487.

Meeting Dates

- The EXCOM Committee agreed the next meeting will be May 9, 2001.

Minutes approved and verified as accurate

EXCOM meeting Date: May 9, 2001

Chair: Al Prest

Executive Director: Anthony F. Fazio

may present written statements to the executive committee at any time by providing 25 copies to the Executive Director, or by bringing the copies to the meeting.

If you are in need of assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for this meeting, please contact the person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section 10 calendar days before the meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 7, 2001.

Anthony F. Fazio,

Executive Director, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Transport Airplane and Engine Issues

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) to discuss transport airplane and engine (TAE) issues.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for March 27-28, 2001, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on March 27. Arrange for oral presentations by March 16.

ADDRESSES: Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be held in room 3328 on March 27 and in rooms 6332-6336 on March 28.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Effie M. Upshaw, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-7626, Fax (202) 267-5075, or e-mail at effie.upshaw@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app. III), notice is given of an ARAC meeting to be held March 27-28, 2000, in Washington, DC.

The agenda will include:

March 27, 2001, Room 3328

- Opening Remarks
- FAA Report
- Joint Aviation Authorities Report
- Transport Canada Report
- Harmonization Management Team Report

- Executive Committee Report
- Human Factors Harmonization Working Group (HWG) Report
- Seat Test HWG Report
- Design for Security HWG Report
- Flight Guidance System HWG Report
- System Design and Analysis HWG Report
- Engine HWG Report
- Continued Airworthiness Assessment Methodology Working Group report
- Flight Test HWG Report
- Electromagnetic Effects HWG Report
- Powerplant systems HWG Report
- Mechanical Systems HWG Report

March 28, 2001, Rooms 6332-6236

- General Structures HWG Report
 - Airworthiness Assurance Working Group Report
 - Extended range with Two-Engine Aircraft (ETOPS) Tasking Update
 - Ice Protection HWG Report
 - Loads & Dynamics HWG Report
 - Flight Controls HWG Report
 - Avionics Systems HWG Report
 - Electrical Systems HWG Report
- The Continued Airworthiness Assessment Methodology Working group plans to seek approval of its work plan. The Flight Control and Loads and Dynamics HWG's plan to request ARAC approval of technical reports drafted under the Fast Track Process. The Ice Protection HWG plans to request approval of a proposed operating rule warning flight crews of ice accumulation requiring crew action.

Attendance is open to the public, but will be limited to the availability of meeting room space and telephone lines. Details for participating in the teleconference will be available after March 19 by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Callers outside the Washington metropolitan area will be responsible for paying long distance charges.

The public must make arrangements by March 16 to present oral statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the committee at any time by providing 25 copies to the Assistant Executive Director for Transport Airplane and Engine issues or by providing copies at the meeting. Copies of the documents to be presented to ARAC for decision or as recommendations to the FAA may be made available by contacting the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

If you are in need of assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the meeting or meeting documents,

please contact the person listed under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Sign and oral interpretation, as well as a listening device, can be made available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 7, 2001.

Tony F. Fazio,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Occupant Safety Issues

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) to discuss occupant safety issues.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for March 29, 2001, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Arrange for oral presentations by March 16.

ADDRESSES: Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street SW., Room 3328, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Effie M. Upshaw, Office of Rulemaking ARM-209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-7626, FAX (202) 267-5075, or e-mail at effie.upshaw@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app. III), notice is given of an ARAC meeting to be held March 29 in Washington, DC.

The agenda will include:

- Opening Remarks
- FAA Report
- Joint Aviation Authorities Report
- Transport Canada Report
- Executive Committee Report
- Cabin Safety Harmonization Working Group Report

Attendance is open to the public, but will be limited to the availability of meeting room space and telephone lines. Details for participating in the teleconference will be available after March 19 by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Callers outside the Washington