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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting

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 to discuss rotorcraft issues.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 16, 2004, 8:30 a.m. PST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Las Vegas Convention Center, Room N-107, 3150 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV, 89109, telephone (702) 892-0711.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caren Centorelli, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-200, **FAA**, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-8199, e-mail caren.centorelli@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The referenced meeting is announced pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. II).

The agenda will include:

- [sbull] Working Group Status Reports.

- [sbull] Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structures.

- [sbull] Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of Composite Rotorcraft Structure.

- [sbull] **FAA** Status Report.

- [sbull] Performance and Handling Qualities Requirements Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

- [sbull] Critical Parts Advisory Circular Material Package.

Attendance is open to the interested public but will be limited to the space available. The public must make arrangements to present oral statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the committee at any time by providing 16 copies to the Assistant Chair or by providing the copies at the meeting.

There will be no voting on tasks at this meeting. Thirty days after the meeting, minutes will be available on the **FAA** Web site at

<http://www2.faa.gov/avr/arm/armac/armacRotorcraft.cfm?nav=6>.

If you are in need of assistance or require a reasonable

AVIATION RULEMAKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ARAC)

Rotorcraft Issues

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 16, 2004
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Place: Las Vegas Convention Center
Room N-107
Las Vegas, Nevada

The Assistant Chair, Mr. John Swihart, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The attendees introduced themselves and signed the attendance sheet (Attachment 1). Mr. Swihart also asked that members make updates to the member roster if necessary. Mr. Mark Schilling, Assistant Executive Director, read instructions governing the conduct of the meeting, and the agenda (Attachment 2) was distributed.

Mr. Swihart referenced that the agenda was published in the Federal Register on February 19, 2004, and then proceeded to give an overview of the meeting agenda.

Mr. Swihart gave a brief history of the ARAC Rotorcraft Issues Group (RIG) and recognized Ted Dumont, the former Assistant Chair of the RIG, who was present at the meeting.

Working group presentations and status reports were made as described below:

Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of Metallic Rotorcraft Structure:

Mrs. Sharon Miles (FAA) gave an update. She explained that currently the package is in coordination in the FAA Southwest Region office. The economist has completed the regulatory evaluation and the document is in legal for their preliminary review. The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) package has been completed though Mr. Larry Kelly (FAA) pointed out that there were still some details that needed to be taken care of.

Mr. Tom Sandberg (AIA/Sikorsky) asked how long the final review process was expected to take. Mrs. Miles answered that it depended on how long final legal review would take.

Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of Composite Rotorcraft Structure:

Mrs. Sharon Miles (FAA) gave an overview of what the working group (WG) has accomplished for Mr. Richard Monschke who was unable to attend the meeting. She explained that the economist has completed the regulatory evaluation, the PRA package has been completed, the working group completed the advisory material, and the package is in its preliminary legal review. There were no questions for Mrs. Miles.

Performance and Handling Qualities Requirements:

Mr. Lance Gant (FAA) reported that the NPRM is in legal review and expected

approximately 45 days from now. He relayed that the JAA's NPA was published last year and is in EASA limbo right now. Mr. Swihart advised that this NPRM is taking precedence over the composite & metallic projects, for legal review.

Mr. Bruno Moitre (JAA) stated that the JAA has identified this item in the EASA agenda/code.

Mr. Larry Kelly (FAA) informed the group that all of the PRA details are not completed yet. The FAA may have to go back out to manufacturers for additional details.

Critical Parts:

Mr. Larry Kelly (FAA) gave an update on the Critical Parts Advisory Circular material package for Mr. Gary Roach (FAA) who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Kelly stated that the advisory circular information was available on the FAA web at <http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl>.

Mr. Bruno Moitre (JAA) explained that the EASA critical parts information has been retained. Mr. Moitre apologized to the group since the Europeans have not taken consistent action on this issue and this issue was a European suggestion. He asked for the group to please be patient with the transition to EASA.

Other Business:

Mr. Swihart gave a synopsis of Nick Sabitini's remarks from the last ARAC Executive Committee meeting. Mr. Sabitini is the FAA Associate Administrator for Regulations and Certification. Mr. Sabitini's remarks were as follows:

- Mr. Sabatini remarked that he appreciates the support ARAC gives to the FAA.
- ARAC enables the agency to surround itself with the leaders and team members who have the talent to help the FAA move forward in the regulatory arena.
- He referred to ARAC as an innovative approach to leadership and complimented ARAC on the recently published ETOPS rule, calling it a challenging effort and major rule that was shared by the FAA and ARAC.
- Mr. Sabatini addressed the use of Aviation Rulemaking Committees (ARC's) by the agency. He explained the agency plans to use ARC's to focus on specific issues of the moment.
- He also explained that ARAC is the body that can be called on when a harmonization product is required.
- Mr. Sabatini also spoke about the FAA Strategic Plan and the 4 elements of the plan: Increased Safety, Greater Capacity, International Leadership, and Organizational Excellence. He shared his thoughts about these elements, and explained to the group that he can't carry out the goals of the Plan by himself-this is where he will call on ARAC for its expertise.
- He also stressed that the increased safety goal includes a commitment to reduce all aviation accidents by 2008. The expansion of the Alaskan

“Capstone” initiative will play a significant role.

Mr. David Downey (FAA) spoke briefly about recent Automatic Dependent Surveillance Broadcast (ADS-B) testing in New Mexico and other initiatives the Rotorcraft Directorate has recently been involved in.

Mr. Swihart asked the attendees if there was any other business to be discussed. No one present raised any topics for discussion.

Mr. Swihart then discussed future meetings of the RIG. He explained that he prefers to schedule meetings on the day prior to the ARAC EXCOM meeting. Therefore, the next future meetings are as follows with the understanding that the meeting may be cancelled if there is nothing substantive to discuss or to approve.

May 12, 2004	TBD, Washington DC
August 18, 2004	TBD, Washington DC
November 16, 2004	TBD, Washington DC

Mr. Swihart reminded the committee that a notice would be published in the Federal Register at least 15 days prior to a RIG meeting. Mr. Swihart also reminded everyone that the meeting minutes would be available on the Office of Rulemaking’s website.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Attendance

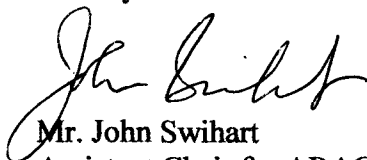
Thirty-two people, including committee members, alternates, and government employees, attended the March 16, 2004, Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee meeting on Rotorcraft Issues.

Public Notification

The Federal Register published an announcement of the meeting on February 19, 2004 (69 FR 7848).

Approval

I certify the above minutes are accurate.



Mr. John Swihart
Assistant Chair for ARAC Rotorcraft Issues

Issued: April 27, 2004

Attachments

AVIATION RULEMAKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ROTORCRAFT ISSUES MEETING

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

March 16, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

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Attachment 2

AGENDA

**ARAC RIG Meeting
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3150 Paradise Road
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(702) 892-0711**

March 16, 2004, 8:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Call to Order	Mr. John Swihart
Self Introduction	All Present
Administrative Guidance	Mr. Mark Schilling
Working Group Status Reports:	
Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structures	Mrs. Sharon Miles
Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of Composite Rotorcraft Structure	Mr. Richard Monschke
FAA Status Report:	
Performance and Handling Qualities Requirements NPRM	Mr. Lance Gant
Critical Parts Advisory Circular Material Package	Mr. Gary Roach
Other Business	Mr. John Swihart
Future Meetings	Mr. John Swihart
Adjourn	Mr. John Swihart

**Minutes of this meeting will be available on the FAA web site at
<http://www.faa.gov/avr/arm/arac/aracRotorcraft.cfm?nav=6>.**

accommodation for the meeting, please contact the person listed under the heading FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. In addition, sign and oral interpretation, as well as a listening device, can be made available at the meeting if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting. Arrangements may be made by contacting the person listed under the heading FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 10, 2004.
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