AVIATION RULEMAKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ARAC) TRANSPORT AIRPLANE AND ENGINE AND EMERGENCY EVACUATION ISSUES

Meeting Minutes

DATE: May 30, 2000 **TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Federal Aviation Administration

800 Independence Avenue

Washington, DC

Session 1—Transport Aircraft and Engines Issues Group

Call to Order/Administrative Reporting

Craig Bolt, Assistant Chair, called the meeting to order, Kris Carpenter read the ethics statement governing conduct of the meeting, and participants introduced themselves (see attached attendance sheet).

Mechanical Systems Harmonization Working Group (HWG)

Pat Waters, working group chair, turned over the discussion of two fast track reports addressing sections 25.677 and 25.773 (a) to Ken Frey and Chuck Meese, working group members.

Section	Discussion/Action
25.677	Members voted unanimously to forward report to FAA
25.773	Discussion items included industry's use of dual wiper systems;
	options in Joint Aviation Requirements and Federal Aviation
	Regulations regarding openable window in the pilot compartment;
	pilot's ability to see through side windows even if they are not
	openable; representation of JAA on working group; and availability
	of NPA that addresses elimination of 25.773(b)(ii)(4)
	Members voted 6 to 2 to forward document to FAA; ALPA and
	AFA voted against the action

Powerplant Installation HWG

Andy Lewis Smith presented two fast track reports addressing §§ 25.1155 and 25.1193.

Section	Discussion/Action
25.1155	Discussion items included proposed section title change;
	customary, excessive, and inherent means of compliance to
	regulate reverse thrust or propeller pitch setting; negative
	service experiences; and time period when "positive lock or
	stop" statement was added to regulatory language; issuance
	of special conditions to address positive lock or stop.
	Before voting, Dorenda Baker indicated that clarification
	regarding positive lock or stop could be addressed in the
	preamble by the working group after phase 4 of the fast
	track process, or that comments could be made to the docket
	during the comment period for the rulemaking.
	Members voted 4 to 3 to forward the report to the FAA;

	three members (AFA, ALPA, and AIA-C) abstained.
25.1193	Concern expressed that proposal would lower current
	standard addressing ground firefighting capability.
	Vote deferred to June meeting. Working group chair
	asked to clarify confusion raised in the report regarding (1)
	current industry standard and actual rule and (2) ground
	conditions and passenger evacuation. The PPHIWG was
	also directed to include and dispose of minority positions.

Loads and Dynamics HWG

Larry Hanson presented two reports addressing disposition of comments.

Title	Discussion/Action
Revised Landing Gear Shock Absorption	Six commenters
Test Requirements Proposed Rule	Unanimous vote to forward document to FAA
Taxi, Takeoff and Landing Roll Design	Two commenters
Loads Advisory Circular	Language to be added to clarify critical design
	loads in lightweight conditions (issue 4 of
	comments)
	Unanimous vote to forward document to FAA as
	amended.

Mr. Bolt reminded members of the dates for the June TAE meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Craig Bolt Assistant Chair

Approved with Revisions: September 12, 2000

End of Session 1

Session 2—Emergency Evacuation Issues Group

Billy Glover, Assistant Chair, called the meeting to order, Dorenda Baker, Assistant Executive Chair, read the ethics statement governing conduct of the meeting, and participants introduced themselves (see attached attendance sheet).

Cabin Safety HWG

Tim Holey, working group chair, summarized each report as it came up for vote.

Section	Discussion/Action
25.787	The issue of stowage compartments not meeting the standard was the only item raised.Unanimous vote to forward report to FAA
25.791	Unanimous vote to forward report to FAA
25.811	Discussion items included description of illumination, and difficulty of having self-illuminating handles in smaller airplanesUnanimous vote to forward report to FAA
25.819	Discussion item related to working group having to go through EEI formally for any follow on to taskingUnanimous vote to forward report to FAA
25.810	Concern expressed that advisory material addressing girt bar would make tasking category 3 rather than category 1Discussion items included status of JAA on FAR 25 Amendment 88 (NPA 25-298); the need for the JAA to dispose of comments received on this NPA and determine if it intends to adopt 25.88; and the benefit of approving report as submitted.
	 Participants agreed that the CSHWG should, at its June 13-15 meeting, further discuss § 25.810 and report back at the 6/29 EE issues group meeting with one of the following: 1) Submit a different technical report; 2) Submit technical report and a recommendation that the tasking be recategorized from 1 to 3; or 3) Return the tasking as not appropriate for category 3

Mr. Glover adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

/s/

Billy Glover Assistant Chair

Approved with Revisions: 7/31/00

End of Session 2

Attendance List May 30, 2000

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