and defense services in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the Mexican Air Force, Secretary of National Defense, Mexico by a U.S. company for the sale of T–6C Trainer Aircraft.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

David S. Adams,

Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.

May 21, 2012 (Transmittal Number 12-054)

The Honorable John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing license agreement to include the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services for the design, development, manufacture, production, assembly and sustainment of the C-17 Globemaster III Transport Aircraft, Wing Trailing Edge Panels and Flap Hinge Fairings for end-use by a U.S. company in support of the United States Air Force.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

David S. Adams,

Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.

May 25, 2012 (Transmittal Number 12–060)

The Honorable John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing license agreement to include the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of F135

engine and short take-off vertical landing "STOVL" lift system technical data, defense services and manufacturing assistance to the UK to allow for the on-going design, development, manufacture, and support of the F135 engine STOVL lift system parts, components, assemblies, and sub-assemblies for end-use by the U.S. Government and JSF partner nations.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

David S. Adams, Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.

April 27, 2012 (Transmittal Number 12–062)

The Honorable John A. Boehner, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement, to include the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom in support of the sale of one C–17 Globemaster III transport aircraft.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

David S. Adams,

Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.

Dated: June 8, 2012.

Robert S. Kovac,

Managing Director, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Department of State. [FR Doc. 2012–16852 Filed 7–9–12; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Teleconference on Transport Airplane and Engine Issues

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of public teleconference.

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

DATES: The teleconference is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2012, starting at 10 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time. Arrange for oral presentations by July 18, 2012.

ADDRESSES: FAA—Northwest Mountain Region, Fred Isaac conference room, 1601 Lind Ave. SW., Renton, WA 98057.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ralen Gao, Office of Rulemaking, ARM–209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267–3168, Fax (202) 267–5075, or email at *ralen.gao@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 teleconference to be held July 25, 2012.

The agenda for the teleconference includes discussion of Materials Flammability Working Group Recommendations and a decision on whether to forward the recommendation to the FAA.

Attendance is open to the public, but will be limited to the availability of teleconference lines. Participation will be by teleconference only. Please confirm your participation with the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than July 18, 2012.

To participate, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by email or phone for the teleconference call-in number and passcode. Anyone calling from outside the Renton, WA, metropolitan area will be responsible for paying long-distance charges.

The public must make arrangements by July 18, 2012, to present oral statements at the teleconference. Copies of the documents to be presented to ARAC may be made available by contacting the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

If you need assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the

meeting or meeting documents, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 5, 2012. Lirio Liu,

Acting Director, Office of Rulemaking. [FR Doc. 2012–16842 Filed 7–9–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA-2012-0350]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: This action reopens the comment period for a Petition for Exemption that was published on June 12, 2012. The petition for exemption from Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), if granted, would allow AOPA and EAA members to conduct certain operations of aircraft without having to hold an FAA-issued medical certificate.

DATES: The comment period for Docket No. FAA–2012–0350 is reopened until September 14, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by docket number FAA–2012–0350 using any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.

• *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M–30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

• Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

• *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202–493–2251.

Privacy: The FAA will post all comments it receives, without change, to *http://www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information the commenter provides. Using the search function of the docket Web site, anyone can find and read the electronic form of all comments received into any FAA docket, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement can be found in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477–19478), as well as at http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at *http://www.regulations.gov* at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tyneka Thomas, ARM–105, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267-7626; email tyneka.l.thomas@faa.gov.

Background

On June 12, 2012, a summary of the AOPA/EAA petition was published in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 35103). Comments to that document were to be received on or before July 2, 2012.

By letter dated June 18, 2012, AOPA and EAA requested that the FAA extend the comment period for an additional 70 days. The petitioner states that the additional time is necessary to ensure the public has adequate time to provide substantive comments.

Reopening Comment Period

In accordance with § 11.47(c) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, the FAA has reviewed the petition made by AOPA/EAA. The FAA has determined that reopening of the comment period is consistent with the public interest, and that good cause exists for taking this action.

Accordingly, the comment period for Docket No. FAA–2012–0350 is reopened until September 14, 2012.

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 3, 2012. Lirio Liu,

Acting Director, Office of Rulemaking. [FR Doc. 2012–16844 Filed 7–9–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket Number FRA-2012-0053]

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System

In accordance with Part 235 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), this document provides the public notice that by a document dated June 5, 2012, the Alabama and Tennessee River Railway LLC has petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of a signal system. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2012-0053.

Applicant: Alabama and Tennessee River Railway LLC, Mr. Jason Scott, Vice President Signals & Communications, 3425 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Alabama 35904.

The Alabama and Tennessee River Railway LLC (ATN) seeks approval of the proposed discontinuance of signalized slide fences on the Birmingham Subdivision. The discontinuance would include the slide fence at Milepost (MP) 693.8, northbound signal at MP 697.1, and southbound signal at MP 691.9; slide fences at MP 701.6, 702.9, 703.2, 704.4, and 705.6, northbound signal at MP 706.8, and southbound signal at MP 699.9; slide fence at MP 718.0, northbound signal at MP 721.2, and southbound signal at MP 715.7; slide fences located at MP 724.4 and 724.5, northbound signal at MP 726.3, and southbound signal at MP 721.2.

The reasons given for the proposed changes is that there has been no slide activity affecting train operations since ATN began operations in 2005. The maximum authorized speed is 10 mph, with ATN crews operating at restricted speed, as outlined in General Code of Operating Rules 6.21, when a severe weather event is encountered during the course of duty. Maintenance-of-way employees also perform an inspection prior to trains operating in the area after a significant storm event. There are no passenger train operations in the area and freight trains average one train per day.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at *www.regulations.gov* and in person at the U.S. Department of Transportation's Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., W12–140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) Transport Airplane and Engine (TAE) Issues Area

Teleconference Minutes

Date:	July 25, 2012
Time:	1:00 PM Eastern
Location:	N/A

Call to Order /Administrative Reporting

Ms. Suzanne Masterson read the public meeting announcement at 1:05 PM.

Presentation /Discussion of Materials Flammability Working Group Report

Ms. Suzanne Masterson read the opening statement.

Mr. Jim Davis presented the Materials Flammability Report in summary. He stated this recommendation is reached after much discussion, intended to make a fundamental structural changes on the regulation on preemptive basis, rather than related to any incident that has occurred. This recommendation also point out areas that require more work (e.g. Advisory Circulars) that needs to be supported by future research efforts.

Mr. Bolt thanked Mr. Davis for the work he and the Working Group had done.

Mr. Rolf Greiner asked whether there is any estimated schedule for the recommended rulemaking. Mr. Davis responded that while members of the Working Group are willing to provide aid as requested, the schedule cannot yet be determined. Ms. Masterson concurred.

Mr. Todd Siegler requested that in the transmittal letter to the FAA, TAEIG state clearly that the recommended "further work" specifically alludes to industry participation. Mr. Siegler will provide language to this effect to Mr. Bolt.

Mr. Greiner further asked whether this recommended rulemaking will harmonize with EASA standards. Mr. James Wilborn stated that since EASA was involved in the Working Group, he expects the FAA and EASA will have the same standards on the topic. Ms. Masterson stated that the FAA cannot yet provide what priority this rulemaking will take, but will definitely coordinate with EASA.

Call to Vote

Mr. Bolt called for vote to submit this Final Recommendation to the FAA. The vote is unanimous for submission.

Action Item Review/Any Other Business

<u>Public Notification</u> The *Federal Register* published a notice of this teleconference on July 10, 2012.

<u>Approval</u> I certify the minutes are accurate.

Craig R. Bolt

Craig R. Bolt Assistant Chair, ARAC

NAME	ORGANIZATION	EMAIL	TELEPHONE
Ralph Buoniconti	SABIC		
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