



Office of the President  
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February 28, 2012

**RE: Application for Certificate of Authorization from Federal Aviation  
Administration  
Governmental status of Oregon State University**

Oregon State University is part of the Oregon University System. The Oregon University System is a public university system established by the Oregon Legislature, consisting of the office of the Chancellor of the University System, the public universities listed in Oregon Revised Statutes 352.002 (of which Oregon State University is one), and any related offices, departments or activities. The Oregon University System is an instrumentality of the State of Oregon and a government entity performing governmental functions and exercising governmental powers. Oregon Revised Statutes 351.011.

Copies of ORS 351.011 and 352.002 are attached for reference.

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Meg Reeves  
General Counsel  
Office of the President  
Oregon State University

Date

**351.011 Oregon University System established.** The Oregon University System is established as a public university system, consisting of the office of the Chancellor of the Oregon University System, the public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and any related offices, departments or activities. The State Board of Higher Education, on behalf of the Oregon University System, shall exercise and carry out all of the powers, rights and duties that are expressly conferred upon the board or that are implied by law or incident to such powers, rights and duties. The Oregon University System is an instrumentality of the state and a government entity performing governmental functions and exercising governmental powers. Notwithstanding the status of the Oregon University System as an instrumentality of the state, the Oregon University System is not eligible to request or receive legal services from the Attorney General and the Department of Justice pursuant to ORS chapter 180, except as otherwise expressly provided by law. The Oregon University System is not considered a unit of local or municipal government. [2011 c.637 §19]

**352.002 Oregon University System.** The Oregon University System established in ORS 351.011 consists of the following public universities under the jurisdiction of the State Board of Higher Education:

- (1) University of Oregon.
- (2) Oregon State University.
- (3) Portland State University.
- (4) Oregon Institute of Technology.
- (5) Western Oregon University.
- (6) Southern Oregon University.
- (7) Eastern Oregon University. [1987 c.246 §1; 1995 c.162 §74; 1995 c.612 §§10,11; 1997 c.11 §1; 2001 c.382 §1; 2011 c.637 §58]



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April 2, 2012

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This supplements my February 28, 2012 memorandum on the same subject. I am of the opinion that Oregon State University qualifies as part of the government of a State as described in 49 USC 40102(a)(41). Further, be advised that Oregon State University's operations under the Certificate of Authorization will not be for commercial purposes as that term is used in 49 USC § 40125(b).

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Meg Reeves  
General Counsel  
Office of the President  
Oregon State University

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Date