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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Minority Business Resource Center Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. 1), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Minority Business Resource Center Advisory Committee to be held Wednesday, December 10, 1997, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Conference Room 8236-8240, Washington, DC 20590. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Advocacy
 - DOT DBE Program (SNPRM)
 - Affirmative Action Issues
- Outreach
- Financial Services

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to the space available. With the approval of the Chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to attend and persons wishing to present oral statements should notify the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Minority Business Resource Center by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 8, 1997. Information pertaining to the meeting may be obtained from Mrs. Marie A. Hendricks, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, telephone (202) 366-1930 or (800) 532-1169. Any member of the public may present a written statement to the Committee at any time.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Technical Standard Orders: Aircraft Bearings

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.

ACTION: Notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on a proposed Technical Standard Order (TSO) pertaining to aircraft bearings. The proposed TSO prescribes the regulatory performance standards that manufacturer-specified parts and appliances must meet to be identified with the marking "TSO-C149."

DATES: Comments must identify the TSO file number and be received on or before January 5, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed technical standard order to: Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service—File No. TSO-C149, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. Or deliver comments to: Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Bobbie J. Smith, Technical Programs and Continued Airworthiness Branch, AIR-120, Aircraft Engineering Division, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, FAX No. (202) 267-5340.

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed TSO listed in this notice by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they desire to the above specified address. Comments received on the proposed technical standard order may be examined, before and after the comment closing date, in Room 815, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB-10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments specified above will be considered by the Director of the Aircraft Certification Service before issuing the final TSO.

Background

The FAA established the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) in January 1991 to provide an ongoing mechanism to accept recommendations from the aviation industry in the regulatory process (56 FR 2190; January 22, 1991; and 58 FR 9230; February 19, 1993). In March 1993, the FAA established the Parts Working Group as part of ARAC (58 FR 16572; March 29, 1993). The Parts Working Group was tasked with recommending to ARAC new regulations and guidance material, as appropriate, pertaining to the issuance and administration of approvals of replacement and modification parts for civil aircraft. The proposed TSO in this notice is based on a draft proposed TSO developed by the Parts Working Group and recommended to the FAA by the ARAC.

The standards or proposed TSO-C149 apply to aircraft bearings intended for anti-friction rotation and/or oscillatory applications in the manufacture and maintenance of aircraft products. Proposed TSO-C149 provides alternative requirements for making each individual bearing. Each bearing must be marked with at least the name or symbol of the manufacturer, the manufacturer's part number, and the TSO number. When this is not practical, marking may be accomplished in a manner approved by the Administrator. Also, in addition to the marking specified in 14 CFR 607(d), the seal type, the lubrication date (if applicable), and the manufacturer's inspection lot number shall be marked on each package and container.

How to Obtain Copies

A copy of the proposed TSO-C149 may be obtained via Internet (<http://www.faa.gov/avr/air/100home.htm>) or on request from the office listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Technical Standard Orders: Aircraft Seals

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration.