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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

9 CFR Part 590

[Docket No. 99–012E]

RIN 0583–AC71

Fee Increase for Egg Products Inspection—Year 2000; Extension of comment period.

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is extending the comment period for the proposed rule, ''Fee Increase for Egg Products Inspection—Year 2000'' for an additional 30 days. This action is in response to a request to allow additional time for comment in order to compile more complete data regarding the impact of the proposed fee.

DATES: Comments must be received by June 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit one original and two copies of written comments to FSIS Docket Clerk, Docket No. 99–012P, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Room 102, Cotton Annex, 300 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20250–3700. All comments submitted in response to the proposal will be available for public inspection in the Docket Clerk's Office between 8:30 and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information concerning policy issues, contact Daniel Engeljohn, Ph.D., Director, Regulations Development and Analysis Division, Office of Policy, Program Development, and Evaluation, FSIS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 112, Cotton Annex, 300 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20250, (202) 720–5627, fax number (202) 690–0486.

For information concerning fee development, contact Michael B. Zimmerer, Director, Financial Management Division, Office of Management, FSIS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 2130-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250, (202) 720–3552, fax number (202) 720–3552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

FSIS is responsible for the inspection of egg products to protect the health and welfare of consumers by assuring that egg products are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly labeled and packaged.

While the cost of mandatory inspection is borne by FSIS, plants pay for inspection services performed on holidays or on an overtime basis. There has not been a change in overtime and holiday fees for egg products inspection services since the transfer of program functions from AMS to FSIS in May 1995. AMS established and implemented the current fees in November 1994. These fees reflect only the costs of inspection at that time and are insufficient to recover FSIS's current costs for the delivery of overtime and holiday inspection service.

On March 3, 2000, FSIS published a proposed rule (65 FR 11486) to increase the fees it charges egg products plants for providing overtime and holiday inspection services. FSIS is also proposing to amend 9 CFR 590.130 by deleting the reference to regulations governing the collection of fees associated with the voluntary grading of eggs. Interested parties were given 60 days to submit comments on the proposal.

Now in response to a request to extend the comment period for the proposed rule, FSIS has decided to extend the comment period an additional 30 days. The request included preliminary impact data to support the statement that additional time was needed to complete the data collection effort.

Additional Public Notification

Public involvement in all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to better ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce and provide copies of this **Federal Register** publication in its constituent update.

The Agency provides a weekly *FSIS Constituent Update* via fax to over 300 organizations and individuals. In addition, the update is available on line through the FSIS web page located at *http://www.fsis.usda.gov.* The update is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, **Federal Register** notices, FSIS public meetings, recalls, and any other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to our constituents/stakeholders. The constituent fax list consists of industry, trade, and farm groups, consumer interest groups, allied health professionals, scientific professionals, and other individuals that have requested to be included. Through these various channels, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader, more diverse audience than would be otherwise possible.

For more information or to be added to the constituent fax list, fax your request to the Congressional and Public Affairs Office, at (202) 720–5704.

Done in Washington, DC on: May 2, 2000.

Thomas J. Billy,

Administrator.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 32

[Docket No. PRM–32–05]

Metabolic Solutions: Denial of Petition for Rulemaking; Correction

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Denial of petition for rulemaking; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the denial of a petition for rulemaking filed by Metabolic Solutions published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2000 (65 FR 21673). The **ADDRESSES** section of the notice contains language that requests public comment that was inadvertently included in the notice. This action is necessary to indicate that the NRC is not soliciting public comments because the denial is the final NRC action on the petition for rulemaking.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David L. Meyer, Chief, Rules and

Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, telephone (301) 415–7162.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On page 21673, in the first column, the **ADDRESSES** section is removed because the NRC is not soliciting public comments and the denial is the final NRC action on this petition for rulemaking.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of May 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David L. Meyer,

Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2000–CE–09–AD]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Beech Models 45 (YT–34), A45 (T–34A, B–45), and D45 (T–34B) Airplanes

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes to supersede Airworthiness Directive (AD) 99–12–02, which currently requires flight and operating limitations on Raytheon Aircraft Corporation (Raytheon) Beech Models 45 (YT–34), A45 (T–34A, B–45), and D45 (T–34B) airplanes. AD 99–12–02 resulted from a report of an in-flight separation of the right wing on a Raytheon Beech Model A45 (T–34A) airplane. The AD was issued as an interim action until the development of FAA-approved inspection procedures. Raytheon has developed such procedures. The proposed AD would: Require repetitive inspections of the wing spar assembly for cracks, with replacement of any wing spar assembly found cracked (unless the spar assembly has a crack indication in the filler strip where the direction of the crack is toward the outside of the filler strip); require reporting the results of the initial inspection; and change the flight and operating limitations that AD 99–12–02 currently requires.

The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to detect and correct cracks in the wing spar assemblies and assure the operational safety of the above-referenced airplanes.

DATES: The Federal Aviation Adminstration (FAA) must receive any comments on the proposed rule on or before July 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2000–CE–09–AD, 901 Locust, Room 506, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

You may get the service information referenced in the proposed AD from Raytheon Aircraft Company, P.O. Box 85, Wichita, Kansas 67201–0085; telephone: (800) 429–5372 or (316) 676–3140. You may examine this information at the Rules Docket at the address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Nguyen, Aerospace Engineer, FAA, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office, 1801 Airport Road, Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, Kansas 67209; telephone: (316) 946–4125; facsimile: (316) 946–4407.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites comments on this proposed rule. You may submit whatever written data, views, or arguments you choose. You need to include the rule's docket number and submit your comments in triplicate to the address specified under the caption **ADDRESSES.** The FAA will consider all comments received on or before the closing date. We may amend the proposed rule in light of comments received. Factual information that supports your ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of the proposed AD action and determining whether we need to take additional rulemaking action.

We believe that the proposed regulation may have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Due to the urgent nature of the safety issues addressed, FAA has been unable to complete a preliminary regulatory flexibility analysis prior to issuance of the NPRM. We anticipate including the final regulatory flexibility analysis and determination with the final rule, if adopted. To assist in this analysis, we are particularly interested in receiving information on the impact of the proposed rule on small businesses and suggested alternative methods of compliance that will reduce or eliminate such impacts. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

The FAA is re-examining the writing style we currently use in regulatory documents, in response to the Presidential memorandum of June 1, 1998. That memorandum requires federal agencies to communicate more clearly with the public. We are interested in your comments on whether the style of this document is clearer, and any other suggestions you might have to improve the clarity of FAA communications that affect you. You can get more information about the Presidential memorandum and the plain language initiative at *http://www.plainlanguage.gov.*

The FAA specifically invites comments on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. You may examine all comments we receive before and after the closing date of the rule in the Rules Docket. We will file a report in the Rules Docket that summarizes each FAA contact with the public that concerns the substantive parts of the proposed AD.

If you want us to acknowledge the receipt of your comments, you must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard. On the postcard, write ''Comments to Docket No. 2000–CE–09-AD.'' We will date stamp and mail the postcard back to you.

Discussion

Has FAA taken any action to this point? In-flight separation of the right wing on a Raytheon Beech Model A45 (T34A) airplane caused us to issue AD 99–12–02, Amendment 39–11193 (64 FR 31689, June 14, 1999). This AD requires:

—Incorporating flight and operating limitations that restrict the airplanes to normal category operation and prohibit them from acrobatic and utility category operations;

—Limiting the flight load factor to 0 to 2.5 G; and

—Limiting the maximum airspeed to 175 miles per hour (mph) (152 knots).

AD 99–12–02 was issued as an interim action until the development of FAA-approved inspection procedures.

What has happened since AD 99–12–02 to initiate this action? Raytheon has developed procedures to inspect the wing spar assemblies on Raytheon Beech Models 45 (YT–34), A45 (T–34A, B–45), and D45 (T–34B) airplanes. We have reviewed and approved the technical aspects of these procedures.