Proposed Rules

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39


RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP (Type Certificate Previously Held by Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd.) Model Gulfstream G150 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The FAA withdraws a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that proposed a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Model Gulfstream G150 airplanes. The proposed AD would have required inspecting to determine the manufacturer of the baggage compartment rubber seals, and replacing the baggage compartment rubber seals manufactured by Gumiyan with seals manufactured by Rubbercraft. The NPRM resulted from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI described the unsafe condition as:

IAI Company Flammability tests revealed that the baggage compartment rubber seals manufactured by Gumiyan are not compliant with FAR [Federal Aviation Regulation] 25, Appendix F, Part I requirements.

The proposed actions were intended to prevent potential ignition of the baggage compartment rubber seals, which could lead to a larger fire.

Actions Since NPRM Was Issued

Since we issued the NPRM, Gulfstream Aerospace LP has informed the FAA that all Model Gulfstream G150 airplanes have been modified in accordance with Gulfstream Service Bulletin 150–25–055, dated October 28, 2008 (specified as the appropriate source of service information for accomplishing the requirements of the proposed AD). Gulfstream Aerospace LP states that, consequently, all actions specified in the NPRM are complete.

FAA's Conclusions

Upon further consideration, we have determined that the proposed AD is not necessary. Accordingly, the NPRM is withdrawn.

Withdrawal of the NPRM does not preclude the FAA from issuing another related action or commit the FAA to any course of action in the future.

Regulatory Impact

Since this action only withdraws an NPRM, it is neither a proposed nor a final rule and therefore is not covered under Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, or DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979).

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Withdrawal

Accordingly, we withdraw the NPRM, Docket No. FAA–2009–1028, Directorate Identifier 2009–NM–188–AD, which was published in the Federal Register on November 5, 2009 (74 FR 57266).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 91

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RIN 2120–AJ69

Prohibition Against Certain Flights Within the Territory and Airspace of Afghanistan

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action would permit certain U.S. civil aircraft operations below flight level (FL) 160 within the territory and airspace of Afghanistan, when approved by the FAA as provided herein. Otherwise, flight operations below FL 160 would be prohibited within the territory and airspace of Afghanistan by all U.S. air carriers; U.S. commercial operators; persons exercising the privileges of a U.S. airmen certificate, except when that person is operating a U.S.-registered