DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Sixteenth Meeting: NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC)

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

ACTION: Notice of Sixteenth NextGen Advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the sixteenth NextGen Advisory Committee meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held October 8th from 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at FedEx Express Headquarters, 3855 Airways Boulevard, Module D, 3rd Floor, Memphis, TN 38116, Tel: (202) 330–0652.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The RTCA Secretariat, 1150 18th Street NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036, or by telephone at (202) 833–9339, fax at (202) 833–9434, or Web site at http://www.rtca.org or Andy Cebula, NAC Secretary, RTCA, Inc., acebula@rtca.org, (202) 330–0652.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C., App.), notice is hereby given for a meeting of the NextGen Advisory Committee. The agenda will include the following:

Thursday, October 8, 2015

1. Opening of Meeting/Introduction of NAC Members—Chairman Richard Anderson, Chief Executive Officer, Delta Air Lines, Inc.
2. Official Statement of Designated Federal Official—The Honorable Mike Whitaker, FAA Deputy Administrator
3. Review and Approval of June 5, 2015 Meeting Summary
4. Chairman’s Report—Chairman Anderson
5. FAA Report—Mr. Whitaker
7. Metrics: Measuring Effects of Implementations—Overview of Reporting Process; FAA Actions on Performance Reporting; Industry Performance Tracking—vendor presentation
8. ADS–B—Status of implementation; Spaced based deployment, oceanic surveillance, common weather picture
10. NextGen Plan
11. Summary of meeting and next steps—DFO and NAC Chairman Closing Comments
12. Other business
13. Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability.


DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA–2014–0382]

Qualification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of final disposition.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces its decision to grant requests from 14 individuals for exemptions from the regulatory requirement that interstate commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers have “no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a CMV.” The regulation and the associated advisory criteria published in the Code of Federal Regulations as the “Instructions for Performing and Recording Physical Examinations” have resulted in numerous drivers being prohibited from operating CMVs in interstate commerce based on the fact that they have had one or more seizures and are taking anti-seizure medication, rather than an individual analysis of their circumstances by a qualified medical examiner. The Agency concluded that granting exemptions for these CMV drivers will provide a level of safety that is equivalent to or greater than the level of safety maintained without the exemptions. FMCSA grants exemptions that will allow these 14 individuals to operate CMVs in interstate commerce for a 2-year period. The exemptions preempt State laws and regulations and may be renewed.

DATES: The exemptions are effective September 14, 2015. The exemptions expire on September 14, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles A. Horan, III, Director, Office of Carrier, Driver and Vehicle Safety, (202) 366–4001, or via email at fmcsamedical@dot.gov, or by letter to FMCSA, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W64–224, Washington, DC 20590–0001. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Electronic Access

You may see all the comments online through the Federal Document Management System (FDMS) at: http://www.regulations.gov.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to www.regulations.gov and/or Room W12–140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records.