

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Transport Airplane and Engine Issues**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) Transport Airplane and Engine (TAE) Subcommittee to discuss TAE issues.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2016, starting at 9:00 a.m. Pacific Standard Time. Arrange for oral presentations by November 1, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** 1601 Lind Ave SW., Renton, WA 98057.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ralen Gao, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-209, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-3168, Fax (202) 267-5075, or email at [ralen.gao@faa.gov](mailto:ralen.gao@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. app. III), notice is given of an ARAC meeting to be held on November 8, 2016.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Opening Remarks, Review Agenda and Minutes
- FAA Report
- ARAC Report
- Transport Canada Report
- EASA Report
- Engine Harmonization Working Group Report
- Flight Test Harmonization Working Group Report
- Airworthiness Assurance Working Group Report
- Metallic and Composite Structures Working Group Report
- Crashworthiness and Ditching Working Group Report
- Any Other Business
- Action Item Review

Participation is open to the public, but will be limited to the availability of teleconference lines.

To participate, please contact the person listed in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** by email or phone for the teleconference call-in number and passcode. Please provide the following information: Full legal name, country of citizenship, and name of your industry association, or applicable affiliation. If

you are participating as a public citizen, please indicate so. Participants are responsible for any telephone, data usage or other similar expenses related to this meeting.

The public must make arrangements by November 1, 2016, to present oral or written statements at the meeting. Written statements may be presented to the Subcommittee by providing a copy to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Copies of the documents to be presented to the Subcommittee may be made available by contacting the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

If you need assistance or require a reasonable accommodation for the meeting or meeting documents, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****Twelfth RTCA SC-228 Minimum Performance Standards (MPS) for UAS Focused-Topic Plenary**

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

**ACTION:** Twelfth RTCA SC-228 Minimum Performance Standards (MPS) for UAS Focused-Topic Plenary.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of Twelfth RTCA SC-228 Minimum Performance Standards (MPS) for UAS Focused-Topic Plenary.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held virtually November 14, 2016, 12:30 p.m.-01:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at: Virtual meeting ONLY. Join at the following link: <https://rtca.webex.com/rtca/j.php?MTID=m0be5cd6a8d8d86fc024338aca4569302>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Al Secen at [asecen@rtca.org](mailto:asecen@rtca.org) or 202-330-0647, or 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>.

**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 Twelfth RTCA SC-228 Minimum Performance Standards (MPS) for UAS Focused-Topic Plenary. The agenda will include the following:

**Monday, November 14, 2016, 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

1. Welcome/Introductions/  
Administrative Remarks/SC-228 Participation Guidelines
  - a. Reading of the Public Announcement by the DFO
  - b. Reading of the RTCA Proprietary References Policy
2. Agenda Overview
3. Determine approval of WG-1 DAA MOPS
  - a. DAA MOPS Document Approval
  - b. Air-to-Air Radar MOPS Document Approval
4. Adjourn

Attendance is open to the interested public. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****Fifth RTCA SC-235 Non Rechargeable Lithium Batteries Plenary Session**

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

**ACTION:** Fifth RTCA SC-235 Non Rechargeable Lithium Batteries Plenary Session.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of Fifth RTCA SC-235 Non Rechargeable Lithium Batteries Plenary Session.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held November 15-16, 2016 09:00 a.m.-05:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at: RTCA Headquarters, 1150 18th Street NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Karan Hofmann at [khofmann@rtca.org](mailto:khofmann@rtca.org) or 202-330-0680, or 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>.

**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 Fifth RTCA SC-235 Non Rechargeable Lithium Batteries Plenary Session. The agenda will include the following:

**Tuesday, November 15, 2016—9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**

1. Welcome and Administrative Remarks
2. Introductions
3. Agenda Review
4. Meeting-Minutes Review
5. FAA Tech Center Testing Update
6. Status Discussion of Internal Comment Review
7. Review of program schedule
8. Action Item Review
9. Any other Business
10. Date and Place of Next Meeting
11. Adjourn

**Wednesday, November 16, 2016—9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.**

Continuation of Plenary or Working Group Session

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairman, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration**

[Docket No. FAA-2016-9284]

**Applicability of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Review of Airport Wildlife Hazard Management Plans**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Office of Airports is clarifying a program guidance letter issued in 2006 concerning how federal environmental laws apply to FAA approval of a new or updated airport Wildlife Hazard Management Plan (WHMP). Recent issues and questions have arisen that make it necessary to update and clarify the guidance. The clarified policy includes circumstances where the FAA would approve WHMPs, and delineate which individual measures in a plan the airport may implement based upon a categorical exclusion without further environmental review or coordination. In contrast, other measures might be subject to a higher level of review and interagency coordination prior to approval. The FAA is publishing this for notice and comment prior to implementation.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before November 18, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2016-9284 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202-493-2251.

*Privacy:* The FAA will post all comments it receives, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information the commenter provides. Using the search

function of the docket Web site, anyone can find and read the electronic form of all comments received into any FAA docket, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement can be found in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-19478), as well as at <http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov>.

*Docket:* Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Elliott Black, Director, Office of Airport Planning and Programming, Mailing address: Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20591. Telephone: (202) 267-8775. Email address: [Elliott.Black@faa.gov](mailto:Elliott.Black@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Authority.* 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) § 44706 ("Airport operating certificates) and 14 CFR part 139.337 ("Wildlife Hazard Management"); and 42 United States Code [U.S.C.] §§ 4321-4335 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Title 14 CFR part 139 § 139.337 ("Wildlife hazard management") requires in part that when the FAA determines that a wildlife hazard management plan is needed, the certificate holder must formulate and implement a plan using the wildlife hazard assessment as a basis. The plan must provide measures to reduce or eliminate wildlife hazards to air carrier operations, and be submitted to (and approved by) the FAA prior to implementation.

In 2006, the FAA's Office of Airports issued Program and Policy Guidance Letter 92 ("Policy 92") to address questions about the applicability of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to FAA approval of WHMPs, and the certificate holder's implementation of those plans.<sup>1</sup> That policy referred in part to Section 209 of FAA Order 5050.4B, "National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Instructions for Airport Actions" (April 28, 2006), which addressed the applicability of NEPA to

<sup>1</sup> Available online at [http://www.faa.gov/airports/airport\\_safety/wildlife/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/airport_safety/wildlife/).