section 244(b)(2) of the Act, the Attorney General can authorize an initial designation period for TPS from 6 to 18 months. Previously, § 244.12 limited the validity period of TPSrelated EADs to 12 months.

Public Comment

The comment period expired April 2, 1999. The Service did not receive any comments regarding the promulgation of the interim rule. Since there were no comments relating to the interim rule, the Service is adopting the interim rule as a final rule without any changes.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 605(b), the Commissioner certifies that this final rule does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The factual basis for this certification is that this rule does not make any changes to the regulations. It merely adopts the interim rule, published on February 1, 1999, as final without change.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

This rule will not result in the expenditure by State, local, or tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any 1 year, and it will not significantly or uniquely affect small governments. Therefore, no actions were deemed necessary under the provisions of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996

This rule is not a major rule as defined by section 804 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Act of 1996. This rule will not result in an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more; a major increase in costs or prices; or significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based companies to compete with foreign-based companies in domestic and export markets.

Executive Order 12866

This rule is not considered by the Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, to be a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866, section 3(f), Regulatory Planning and Review, and the Office of Management and Budget has waived its review process under section 6(a)(3)(A).

Executive Order 13132

This regulation will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with section 6 of Executive Order 13132, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has determined that this rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a federalism summary impact statement.

Executive Order 12988 Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets the applicable standards set forth in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988.

List of Subjects in 8 CFR Part 244

Aliens, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, the interim rule amending 8 CFR part 244, which was published in the **Federal Register** at 64 FR 4780 on February 1, 1999, is adopted as a final rule without change.

Dated: December 20, 2000.

Mary Ann Wyrsch,

Acting Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 25

[Docket No. NM180; Special Conditions No. 25–170–SC]

Special Conditions: Cessna Model 560, Citation V, Series Airplanes; High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final special conditions; request

for comments.

SUMMARY: These special conditions are issued for Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes modified by Honeywell International Inc. These modified airplanes will have a novel and unusual design feature when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes. The modification incorporates the installation of a new integrated electronic cockpit display system. The cockpit display system will utilize electrical and electronic systems

that perform critical functions. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for the protection of this system from the effects of high-intensity-radiated fields (HIRF). These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

DATES: The effective date of these special conditions is December 7, 2000. Comments must be received on or before January 29, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments on these special conditions may be mailed in duplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Transport Airplane Directorate, Attention: Rules Docket (ANM–114), Docket No. NM180, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; or delivered in duplicate to the Transport Airplane Directorate at the above address. All comments must be marked: Docket No. NM180. Comments may be inspected in the Rules Docket weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Meghan Gordon, FAA, Standardization Branch, ANM–113, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–2138; facsimile (425) 227–1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for making these special conditions effective upon issuance; however, interested persons are invited to submit such written data, views, or arguments, as they may desire. Communications should identify the regulatory docket number and be submitted in duplicate to the address specified above. The Administrator will consider all communications received on or before the closing date for comments. These special conditions may be changed in light of the comments received. All comments received will be available in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerning this rulemaking will be filed in the docket. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to these special conditions must include a selfaddressed, stamped postcard on which

the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. NM180." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Background

On February 25, 2000, Honeywell International Inc., 21111 N. 19th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85027, applied for a Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) to modify the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, airplane approved under Type Certificate No. A22CE. The subject Cessna Model 560, Citation V, airplane is a straight wing, small transport category airplane. These airplanes, serial numbers 560-001 through 560-0259, are powered by two Pratt & Whitney JT15D-51 turbofans, with a maximum takeoff weight of 15,900 pounds. Serial numbers 560-0260 through 560-0538 are powered by two Pratt & Whitney JT15D-5D turbofans, with a maximum takeoff weight of 16,300 pounds. This series of airplanes operates with a 2-pilot crew and can hold up to 11 passengers.

The Model 560, Citation V, will incorporate integrated electronic PRIMUS EPIC Cockpit Display Systems (CDS), manufactured by Honeywell International Inc., which display attitude and heading information. The PRIMUS EPIC CDS performs a critical function associated with the display of attitude and heading information to the pilot, and must be designed and installed to ensure that its operation is not adversely affected by high intensity radiated fields (HIRF). This critical function can be susceptible to disruption of both command and response signals as a result of electrical and magnetic interference caused by HIRF external to the airplane. This disruption of signals could result in loss of critical flight displays and annunciations, or could present misleading information to the pilot.

Type Certification Basis

Under the provisions of 14 CFR 21.101, Honeywell International Inc. must show that the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes, as changed, continue to meet the applicable provisions of the regulations incorporated by reference in Type Certificate No. A22CE, or the applicable regulations in effect on the date of application for the change. The regulations incorporated by reference in the type certificate are commonly referred to as the "original type certification basis." The regulations included in the certification basis for the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes include Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 25, as

amended by Amendments 25–1 through 25–8, plus additional requirements listed in the type certificate data sheet that are not relevant to these special conditions.

If the Administrator finds that the applicable airworthiness regulations (i.e., part 25, as amended) do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes because of a novel or unusual design feature, special conditions are prescribed under the provisions of § 21.16.

In addition to the applicable airworthiness regulations and special conditions, the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes must comply with the fuel vent and exhaust emission requirements of part 34 and the noise certification requirements of part 36.

Special conditions, as appropriate, are issued in accordance with § 11.49, as required by §§ 11.28 and 11.29, and become part of the airplane's type certification basis in accordance with § 21.101(b)(2).

Special conditions are initially applicable to the model for which they are issued. Should the applicant apply for a supplemental type certificate to modify any other model included on the same type certificate to incorporate the same novel or unusual design features, these special conditions would also apply to the other model under the provisions of § 21.101(a)(1).

Novel or Unusual Design Features

As stated earlier, the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes modified by Honeywell International Inc. will incorporate the PRIMUS EPIC CDS, which performs critical functions. This system contains electronic equipment for which the current airworthiness standards of part 25 do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for the protection of this equipment from the adverse effects of HIRF. The CDS may be vulnerable to HIRF external to the airplane. Accordingly, this system is considered to be a novel or unusual design feature.

Discussion

There is no specific regulation that addresses the requirements for protection of electrical and electronic systems from HIRF. Increased power levels from ground-based radio transmitters and the growing use of sensitive electrical and electronic systems to command and control airplanes have made it necessary to provide adequate protection.

To ensure that a level of safety is achieved that is equivalent to that intended by the regulations incorporated by reference, special conditions are needed for the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, airplanes modified to include the PRIMUS EPIC CDS. These special conditions will require that this system, which performs critical functions, be designed and installed to preclude component damage and interruption of function due to both the direct and indirect effects of HIRF.

High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF)

With the trend toward increased power levels from ground-based transmitters, plus the advent of space and satellite communications coupled with electronic command and control of the airplane, the immunity of critical digital avionics systems to HIRF must be established.

It is not possible to precisely define the HIRF to which the airplane will be exposed in service. There is also uncertainty concerning the effectiveness of airframe shielding for HIRF. Furthermore, coupling of electromagnetic energy to cockpitinstalled equipment through the cockpit window apertures is undefined. Based on surveys and analysis of existing HIRF emitters, an adequate level of protection exists when compliance with the HIRF protection special condition is shown with either paragraph 1 OR 2 below:

- 1. A minimum threat of 100 volts rms per meter electric field strength from 10 KHz to 18 GHz.
- a. The threat must be applied to the system elements and their associated wiring harnesses without the benefit of airframe shielding.
- b. Demonstration of this level of protection is established through system tests and analysis.
- 2. A threat external to the airframe of the following field strengths for the frequency ranges indicated. Both peak and average field strength components from the Table are to be demonstrated.

Frequency	Field strength (volts per meter)	
	Peak	Average
10 kHz–100 kHz	50	50
100 kHz-500 kHz	50	50
500 kHz-2 MHz	50	50
2 MHz-30 MHz	100	100
30 MHz-70 MHz	50	50
70 MHz-100 MHz	50	50
100 MHz-200 MHz	100	100
200 MHz-400 MHz	100	100
400 MHz-700 MHz	700	50
700 MHz-1 GHz	700	100
1 HGz-2 GHz	2000	200
2 HGz-4 GHz	3000	200
4 GHz-6 GHz	3000	200
6 GHz-8 GHz	1000	200
8 GHz-12 GHZ	3000	300

Frequency	Field strength (volts per meter)	
	Peak	Average
12 GHz–18 GHz 18 GHz–40 GHz	2000 600	200 200

The field strengths are expressed in terms of peak of the root-mean-square (rms) over the complete modulation period.

The threat levels identified above are the result of an FAA review of existing studies on the subject of HIRF, in light of the ongoing work of the Electromagnetic Effects Harmonization Working Group of the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee.

Applicability

As discussed above, these special conditions are applicable to Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes modified by Honeywell International Inc. to include the PRIMUS EPIC CDS. Should Honeywell International Inc. apply at a later date for a supplemental type certificate to modify any other model included on Type Certificate A22CE to incorporate the same novel or unusual design features, these special conditions would apply to that model as well under the provisions of § 21.101(a)(1).

Conclusion

This action affects only certain novel or unusual design features on the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes modified by Honeywell Inc. It is not a rule of general applicability and affects only the applicant who applied to the FAA for approval of these features on the airplanes.

The substance of the special conditions has been subjected to the notice and comment period in several prior instances and has been derived without substantive change from those previously issued. It is unlikely that prior public comment would result in a significant change from the substance contained herein. For this reason, and because a delay would significantly affect the certification of the airplane, which is imminent, the FAA has determined that prior public notice and comment are unnecessary and impracticable, and good cause exists for adopting these special conditions upon issuance. The FAA is requesting comments to allow interested persons to submit views that may not have been submitted in response to the prior opportunities for comment described above.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 25

Aircraft, Aviation safety, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

The authority citation for these special conditions is as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701, 44702, 44704.

The Special Conditions

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the following special conditions are issued as part of the supplemental type certification basis for the Cessna Model 560, Citation V, series airplanes modified by Honeywell International Inc.

- 1. Protection from Unwanted Effects of High-Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF). Each electrical and electronic system that performs critical functions must be designed and installed to ensure that the operation and operational capability of these systems to perform critical functions are not adversely affected when the airplane is exposed to high-intensity radiated fields.
- 2. For the purpose of these special conditions, the following definition applies: *Critical Functions:* Functions whose failure would contribute to or cause a failure condition that would prevent the continued safe flight and landing of the airplane.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on December 7, 2000.

Donald L. Riggin,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 00–33179 Filed 12–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2000-NM-399-AD; Amendment 39-12051; AD 2000-25-53]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule; request for

comments.

SUMMARY: This document publishes in the Federal Register an amendment adopting airworthiness directive (AD) 2000–25–53, which was sent previously to all known U.S. owners and operators of Airbus Model A330 series airplanes by individual notices. This AD requires either repetitive detailed visual inspections or repetitive borescopic inspections to detect cracking or other

damage of the barrel nuts of the engine aft mount; and replacement of any cracked nut and its associated bolt with a new nut and bolt, or replacement of all 4 nuts and their associated bolts if two or more nuts on the same engine mount are found cracked. This action is prompted by issuance of mandatory continuing airworthiness information by a foreign civil airworthiness authority. The actions specified by this AD are intended to detect and correct cracking of the aft engine mount nut, which could result in reduced structural integrity of the engine-to-pylon aft mount assembly, or, in the case of multiple cracked nuts, possible loss of an engine.

DATES: Effective January 2, 2001, to all persons except those persons to whom it was made immediately effective by emergency AD 2000–25–53, issued December 9, 2000, which contained the requirements of this amendment.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the **Federal Register** as of January 2, 2001.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before January 29, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM–114, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2000–NM–399–AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Comments may be submitted via fax to (425) 227–1232. Comments may also be sent via the Internet using the following address:

9-anm-iarcomment@faa.gov. Comments sent via fax or the Internet must contain "Docket No. 2000–NM–399–AD" in the subject line and need not be submitted in triplicate. Comments sent via the Internet as attached electronic files must be formatted in Microsoft Word 97 for Windows or ASCII text.

The applicable service information may be obtained from Airbus Industrie, 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Backman, Aerospace Engineer, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton,