

pounds, which should provide \$250,000 in assessment income. Income derived from handler assessments, along with interest income (\$13,000) and funds from the Board's authorized reserve (\$333,293), will be adequate to cover budgeted expenses. Funds in the reserve will be kept within the maximum permitted by the order (approximately one marketing year's operational expenses). Excess funds may be maintained and used by the Board until December 1 following the end of a marketing year (§ 982.62(b)). The Board is required to refund or credit, upon request, each handler's share of the excess prior to January 1.

The Board reviewed and unanimously recommended 2000–2001 expenditures of \$596,293. With the 2000–2001 marketing year assessable hazelnut crop estimated at 50,000,000 pounds, or 26,000,000 pounds less than for 1999–2000, the Board recommended the assessment rate increase to prevent its operating reserve from going lower than \$150,000. The Board believes that a reserve less than this is too low. Prior to arriving at this budget, the Board considered information from various sources, including the Proration Committee, the Budget Committee, and the Marketing and Promotion Committee. Alternative expenditure levels were discussed by these groups, based upon the relative value of various research, marketing, and promotion projects to the hazelnut industry.

A review of historical information and preliminary information pertaining to the upcoming marketing year indicates that the producer price for the 2000–2001 marketing year could range between \$0.32 and \$0.49 per pound of hazelnuts. Therefore, the estimated assessment revenue for the 2000–2001 marketing year as a percentage of total producer revenue could range between 1.02 and 1.56 percent.

This action increases the assessment obligation imposed on handlers. While assessments impose some additional costs on handlers, the costs are minimal and uniform on all handlers. Some of the additional costs may be passed on to producers. However, these costs are offset by the benefits derived by the operation of the marketing order. In addition, interested persons were invited to submit information on the regulatory and informational impacts of this action on small businesses.

This rule imposes no additional reporting or recordkeeping requirements on either small or large hazelnut handlers. As with all Federal marketing order programs, reports and forms are periodically reviewed to reduce information requirements and

duplication by industry and public sector agencies.

The Department has not identified any relevant Federal rules that duplicate, overlap, or conflict with this rule.

A proposed rule concerning this action was published in the **Federal Register** on June 14, 2000 (65 FR 37300). Copies of the proposed rule were also mailed or sent via facsimile to Board members. Finally, the proposal was made available through the Internet by the Office of the Federal Register. A 30-day comment period ending July 14, 2000, was provided for interested persons to respond to the proposal. No comments were received.

A small business guide on complying with fruit, vegetable, and specialty crop marketing agreements and orders may be viewed at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/moab.html>. Any questions about the compliance guide should be sent to Jay Guerber at the previously mentioned address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

After consideration of all relevant material presented, including the information and recommendation submitted by the Board and other available information, it is hereby found that this rule, as hereinafter set forth, will tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, it is also found and determined that good cause exists for not postponing the effective date of this rule until 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register** because: (1) The 2000–2001 marketing year began on July 1, 2000, and the marketing order requires that the rate of assessment for each marketing year apply to all assessable hazelnuts handled during such marketing year; (2) the Board needs to have sufficient funds to pay its expenses which are incurred on a continuous basis; and (3) handlers are aware of this action which was unanimously recommended by the Board in a mail vote and is similar to other assessment rate actions issued in past years.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 982

Filberts, Hazelnuts, Marketing agreements, Nuts, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 7 CFR part 982 is amended as follows:

PART 982—HAZELNUTS GROWN IN OREGON AND WASHINGTON

1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 982 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601–674.

2. Section 982.340 is revised to read as follows:

§ 982.340 Assessment rate.

On and after July 1, 2000, an assessment rate of \$0.005 per pound is established for Oregon and Washington hazelnuts.

Dated: July 28, 2000.

Robert C. Keeney,
Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Parts 11, 21, and 25

Changed Product Rule Meeting; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; Public meeting.

SUMMARY: This document announces two public meetings pertaining to the recent issue of the Changed Product Rule (65 FR 36243). Meetings in both the United States and in Europe have been planned. The international meeting will be held in Hoofddorp, The Netherlands September 20–21, 2000. The U.S. meeting will be held in Kansas City, Missouri, October 3–4, 2000. The international meeting is scheduled in support of the JAA Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) circulation to help commenters to better understand the NPA. The U.S. meeting will focus on the rule, transport category aircraft, as well as other products (normal, utility, acrobatic, and commuter airplanes; normal and transport category rotorcraft; manned free balloons; aircraft engines; and propellers). The meeting purpose is to present information regarding the rule, guidance material and to gather comments pertaining to the development of the follow-on Advisory Circular revisions related to general aviation aircraft and other product areas.

DATES: The international meeting will be held September 20–21, 2000, beginning at 11:00 a.m. in Hoofddorp, The Netherlands.

The U.S. industry meeting will be held October 3–4, 2000, starting at 9:00 a.m. in Kansas City, Missouri. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the following locations:

International: Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) Headquarters, Saturnusstraat 8–

10, 2132HB Hoofddorp, The Netherlands.
U.S. Industry: Marriott Downtown, 200 West 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests regarding the logistics of the U.S. meeting should be directed to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Small Airplane Directorate, Attention: Lester Cheng, ACE-111, 901 Locust, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone (816) 329-4120. For international and all other product information, contact FAA, Headquarters Office, Attention: Randall Petersen, AIR-110, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington DC 20251; telephone (202) 267-9583. In Europe, contact Joint Aviation Authorities Headquarters (JAA), Ms. Rosa Serrano, Saturnusstraat 8-10, 2132HB Hoofddorp, The Netherlands (31-23-5679745). No official record of the meeting will be maintained.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Participation at the Public Meeting

Background

On June 7, 2000 (65 FR 36243), the FAA published amended type certification procedures for changed products. These amendments affect changes accomplished through either an amended type certificate or a supplemental type certificate. The amendments are needed to address the trend toward fewer products that are of completely new design and more products with multiple changes to previously approved designs. This final rule action will enhance safety by applying the latest airworthiness standards, to the greatest extent practicable, for the certification of significant design changes of aircraft, aircraft engines, and propellers.

These amended regulations become effective June 7, 2000. Mandatory compliance dates are December 10, 2001, for transport category airplanes and restricted category airplanes that have been certified using transport category standards, and December 9, 2002, for all other category aircraft and engines and propellers.

For the purposes of implementing these amended regulations, the FAA has chartered a Changed Product Rule Team to develop the necessary guidance materials allowing for proper orientation, application and standardization for the Aircraft Certification Service. These guidance materials include Notice, Advisory Circular (AC) and training. The Changed Product Rule Team started its work in April 1999.

At present, the AC draft applicable to part 25 airplanes has been developed. The philosophy and methodology adopted for this AC are derived from the approaches presented by the ICPTF (International Certification Procedures Task Force) Working Group III. Harmonizing this AC with JAA's version has been a constant effort throughout the development process. Notice of availability for public comment of this AC draft (for part 25 only) is scheduled for publication August 2000.

The next phase of the effort is to update the current AC (for part 25 only) by adding elements that are applicable to other parts (that is, parts 23, 27, 29, 31, 33 and 35). The FAA has determined that it is in the public interest to hold a public meeting for the purposes of sharing thoughts and gathering comments that need to be considered for the development of an AC related to general aviation aircraft and other products. Accordingly, the FAA will conduct this public meeting in Kansas City, Missouri.

Public Meeting Procedures

The following procedures have been established for the U.S. industry meeting:

1. Admission and participation in the public meeting is free. Registration will occur on the date of the meeting between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Seating will be limited to the first 300 participants.

2. Representatives from the FAA will conduct the meeting. A technical panel of FAA personnel will discuss information.

3. The issue will be limited to the Changed Product Rule and the development of an AC.

4. Sign and oral interpretations will be made available at the meeting, including assistive listening devices, if requested from the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 10 calendar days before the meeting. Anyone requiring other accommodations under the Americans with Disability Act should notify the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 10 calendar days before the meeting.

5. Statements made by FAA personnel are intended to clarify issues.

6. The meeting will be conducted in an informal and nonadversarial manner.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri on July 19, 2000.

Michael Gallagher,

Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NE-40-AD; Amendment 39-11830; AD 2000-15-01]

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Airworthiness Directives; CFM International CFM56-2, -2A, -2B, -3, -3B, -3C, -5, -5A, -5B, -5C Series Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to CFM International (CFMI) CFM56-2, -2A, -2B, -3, -3B, -3C, -5, -5A, -5B, -5C series turbofan engines, that requires initial and repetitive visual inspections of the fuel pump filter cover helicoil inserts and bolts for damage, and, if necessary, repair or replacement with serviceable parts. This amendment also requires the installation of new or reworked fuel pumps that incorporate an improved filter cover retention design (D-bolts), or an on-wing repair of existing fuel pumps, as terminating action to the inspections. This amendment is prompted by reports that fuel pump filter cover helicoil inserts have loosened or pulled out. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent fuel leakage from between the fuel pump filter cover and gear housing, which could result in an engine fire and damage to the airplane.

DATES: Effective date October 2, 2000. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of October 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from CFM International, Technical Publications Department, 1 Neumann Way, Cincinnati, OH 45215; telephone: (513) 552-2800, fax: (513) 552-2816. This information may be examined at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, suite 700, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Rosa, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803-5299; telephone: (781) 238-7152, fax: (781) 238-7199.