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## MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

### 5 CFR Part 1201

#### Closure of Two MSPB Offices

**AGENCY:** Merit Systems Protection Board.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB or Board) is amending its rules of practice and procedure in this part to reflect the planned closure of its Boston Field Office and Seattle Field Office.

Effective March 17, 2004, no new appeals may be filed in the Boston Field Office and Seattle Field Office. On March 17, 2004, areas currently served by the Boston Field Office will be transferred to the Northeastern Regional Office (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) and areas served by the Seattle Field Office will be transferred to the Western Regional Office (San Francisco, California).

Cases filed in the Boston Field Office and Seattle Field Office prior to March 17, 2004, will remain docketed in those offices and parties should continue filing pleadings with those offices until a notice transferring the case is issued. The Board anticipates closing the Boston Field Office and Seattle Field Office on March 31, 2004.

Accordingly, Appendix II of this part is amended to delete the Boston and Seattle Field Offices effective March 17, 2004. This amendment reassigns the areas served by the Boston Field Office to the Northeastern Regional Office and reassigns the areas served by the Seattle Field Office to the Western Regional Office. Appendix III of this part is amended effective March 17, 2004, to delete the approved hearing locations currently listed under the Boston and Seattle Field Offices and transfer those approved hearing locations to the

Northeastern Regional Office and the Western Regional Office, respectively.

In addition, the Board has included an amendment to the zip code listed for the Denver Field Office in Appendix II and several amendments to the list of approved hearing sites in Appendix III.

**DATES:** Effective March 17, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Timothy L. Korb, Manager, Information Services, Merit Systems Protection Board, 1615 M Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20419; (202) 653-7200; fax: (202) 653-7130; or e-mail: [mspb@mspb.gov](mailto:mspb@mspb.gov).

The Board is publishing this rule as a final rule pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1204(h).

#### List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 1201

Administrative practice and procedure, Civil rights, Government employees.

■ Accordingly, the Board amends 5 CFR part 1201 as follows:

■ 1. The authority citation for part 1201 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 1204 and 7701, unless otherwise noted.

■ 2. Appendix II to Part 1201 is revised to read as follows:

#### Appendix II to Part 1201—Appropriate Regional or Field Office for Filing Appeals

All submissions shall be addressed to the Regional Director, if submitted to a regional office, or the Chief Administrative Judge, if submitted to a field office, Merit Systems Protection Board, at the addresses listed below, according to geographic region of the employing agency or as required by § 1201.4(d) of this part. The facsimile numbers listed below are TDD-capable; however, calls will be answered by voice before being connected to the TDD. Address of Appropriate Regional or Field Office and Area Served:

1. Atlanta Regional Office, 401 West Peachtree Street, NW., 10th floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3519, Facsimile No.: (404) 730-2767. (Alabama; Florida; Georgia; Mississippi; South Carolina; and Tennessee).

2. Central Regional Office, 230 South Dearborn Street, 31st floor, Chicago, Illinois 60604-1669, Facsimile No.: (312) 886-4231. (Illinois; Indiana; Iowa; Kansas City, Kansas; Kentucky; Michigan; Minnesota; Missouri; Ohio; and Wisconsin).

2a. Dallas Field Office, 1100 Commerce Street, Room 620, Dallas, Texas 75242-9979, Facsimile No.: (214) 767-0102. (Arkansas; Louisiana; Oklahoma; and Texas).

3. Northeastern Regional Office, U.S. Customhouse, Room 501, Second and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

19106-2987, Facsimile No.: (215) 597-3456. (Connecticut; Delaware; Maine; Maryland—except the counties of Montgomery and Prince George's; Massachusetts; New Hampshire; New Jersey—except the counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union; Pennsylvania; Rhode Island; Vermont; and West Virginia).

3a. New York Field Office, 26 Federal Plaza, Room 3137-A, New York, New York 10278-0022, Facsimile No.: (212) 264-1417. (New Jersey—counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union; New York; Puerto Rico; and Virgin Islands).

4. Washington Regional Office, 1800 Diagonal Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, Facsimile No.: (703) 756-7112. (Maryland—counties of Montgomery and Prince George's; North Carolina; Virginia; Washington, DC; and all overseas areas not otherwise covered).

5. Western Regional Office, 250 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, 4th floor, San Francisco, California 94104-3401, Facsimile No.: (415) 705-2945. (Alaska; California; Hawaii; Idaho; Nevada; Oregon; Washington; and Pacific overseas areas).

5a. Denver Field Office, 165 South Union Blvd., Suite 318, Lakewood, Colorado 80228-2211, Facsimile No.: (303) 969-5109. (Arizona; Colorado; Kansas—except Kansas City; Montana; Nebraska; New Mexico; North Dakota; South Dakota; Utah; and Wyoming).

■ 3. Appendix III to Part 1201 is revised to read as follows:

#### Appendix III to Part 1201—Approved Hearing Locations By Regional Office

##### Atlanta Regional Office

Birmingham, Alabama  
Huntsville, Alabama  
Mobile, Alabama  
Montgomery, Alabama  
Jacksonville, Florida  
Miami, Florida  
Orlando, Florida  
Pensacola, Florida  
Tallahassee, Florida  
Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida  
Atlanta, Georgia  
Augusta, Georgia  
Macon, Georgia  
Savannah, Georgia  
Jackson, Mississippi  
Charleston, South Carolina  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
Knoxville, Tennessee  
Memphis, Tennessee  
Nashville, Tennessee

##### Central Regional Office

Chicago, Illinois  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
Davenport, Iowa/Rock Island, Illinois  
Des Moines, Iowa  
Lexington, Kentucky  
Louisville, Kentucky  
Detroit, Michigan

Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota  
 Kansas City, Missouri  
 Springfield, Missouri  
 St. Louis, Missouri  
 Cleveland, Ohio  
 Cincinnati, Ohio  
 Columbus, Ohio  
 Dayton, Ohio  
 Milwaukee, Wisconsin

*Dallas Field Office*

Little Rock, Arkansas  
 Alexandria, Louisiana  
 New Orleans, Louisiana  
 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
 Tulsa, Oklahoma  
 Corpus Christi, Texas  
 Dallas, Texas  
 El Paso, Texas  
 Houston, Texas  
 San Antonio, Texas  
 Temple, Texas  
 Texarkana, Texas

*Northeastern Regional Office*

Hartford, Connecticut  
 New Haven, Connecticut  
 Dover, Delaware  
 Bangor, Maine  
 Portland, Maine  
 Baltimore, Maryland  
 Boston, Massachusetts  
 Manchester, New Hampshire  
 Portsmouth, New Hampshire  
 Trenton, New Jersey  
 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania  
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
 Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania  
 Providence, Rhode Island  
 Burlington, Vermont  
 Charleston, West Virginia  
 Morgantown, West Virginia

*New York Field Office*

Newark, New Jersey  
 Albany, New York  
 Buffalo, New York  
 New York, New York  
 Syracuse, New York  
 San Juan, Puerto Rico

*Washington Regional Office*

Washington, DC  
 Asheville, North Carolina  
 Charlotte, North Carolina  
 Raleigh, North Carolina  
 Jacksonville, North Carolina  
 Alexandria, Virginia  
 Norfolk, Virginia  
 Richmond, Virginia  
 Roanoke, Virginia

*Western Regional Office*

Anchorage, Alaska  
 Fresno, California  
 Los Angeles, California  
 Monterey, California  
 Sacramento, California  
 San Bernardino, California  
 San Diego, California  
 San Francisco, California  
 Santa Ana, California  
 Santa Barbara, California  
 Honolulu, Hawaii  
 Boise, Idaho  
 Pocatello, Idaho

Las Vegas, Nevada  
 Reno, Nevada  
 Medford, Oregon  
 Portland, Oregon  
 Seattle, Washington  
 Spokane, Washington  
 Richland, Kennewick, and Pasco,  
 Washington

*Denver Field Office*

Phoenix, Arizona  
 Tucson, Arizona  
 Grand Junction, Colorado  
 Lakewood, Colorado  
 Pueblo, Colorado  
 Wichita, Kansas  
 Billings, Montana  
 Great Falls, Montana  
 Missoula, Montana  
 Omaha, Nebraska  
 Albuquerque, New Mexico  
 Bismarck, North Dakota  
 Fargo, North Dakota  
 Rapid City, South Dakota  
 Sioux Falls, South Dakota  
 Salt Lake City, Utah  
 Casper, Wyoming

Dated: March 5, 2004.

**Bentley M. Roberts, Jr.,**

*Clerk of the Board.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

**[Docket No. 2001-NM-362-AD; Amendment 39-13515; AD 2004-05-20]**

**RIN 2120-AA64**

**Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10, DC-10-10F, DC-10-15, DC-10-30, DC-10-30F (KC-10A and KDC-10), DC-10-40, DC-10-40F, MD-10-10F, MD-10-30F, MD-11, and MD-11F Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas transport category airplanes, that requires modification of the installation wiring for the electric motor operated auxiliary hydraulic pumps in the right wheel well area of the main landing gear, and repetitive inspections of the numbers 1 and 2 electric motors of the auxiliary hydraulic pumps for electrical resistance, continuity, mechanical rotation, and associated airplane wiring resistance/voltage; and corrective actions if necessary. This action is necessary to prevent failure of

the electric motors of the hydraulic pump and associated wiring, which could result in fire at the auxiliary hydraulic pump and consequent damage to the adjacent electrical equipment and/or structure. This action is intended to address the identified unsafe condition.

**DATES:** Effective April 15, 2004.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of April 15, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** The service information referenced in this AD may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Long Beach Division, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Data and Service Management, Dept. C1-L5A (D800-0024). This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, Rules Docket, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ken Sujishi, Aerospace Engineer, Systems and Equipment Branch, ANM-130L, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712; telephone (562) 627-5353; fax (562) 627-5210.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10, DC-10-10F, DC-10-15, DC-10-30, DC-10-30F (KC-10A and KDC-10), DC-10-40, DC-10-40F, MD-10-10F, MD-10-30F, MD-11, and MD-11F airplanes, was published in the **Federal Register** on October 15, 2003 (68 FR 59349). That action proposed to require modification of the installation wiring for the electric motor operated auxiliary hydraulic pumps in the right wheel well area of the main landing gear, and repetitive inspections of the numbers 1 and 2 electric motors of the auxiliary hydraulic pumps for electrical resistance, continuity, mechanical rotation, and associated airplane wiring resistance/voltage; and corrective actions if necessary.

**Comments**

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. Due consideration has been given to the comments received.