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#### **National Council for Eurasian and East European Research**

*Grant:* \$1,140,000 (\$846,000—Eurasia; \$294,000—Southeast Europe).

*Purpose:* To support the research contracts and fellowship grants of the National Research Program, the Policy Research Fellowships, the Ed A. Hewett Fellowship Program, and the Short-term Research Fellowships.

*Contact:* Robert Huber, President, National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, 910 17th Street, NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20006, e-mail: [dc@nceer.org](mailto:dc@nceer.org), tel: (202) 822-6950, Fax: (202) 822-6955.

#### **Social Science Research Council**

*Grant:* \$795,000 (\$795,000—Eurasia).

*Purpose:* To support pre-doctoral fellowships, including advanced graduate and dissertation fellowships; post-doctoral fellowships; one dissertation workshop; the Policy Training Seminar; and the institutional language programs for advanced Russian and other Eurasian languages.

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#### **The Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars**

*Grant:* \$783,000 (\$495,000—Eurasia; \$288,000—AEEB).

*Purpose:* To support the residential programs for post-doctoral Research Scholars, Short-term Scholars and Interns; the Meetings Program for both the Kennan Institute and East European Studies Program; the Kennan Institute's Workshop on Religion in Post-Soviet Societies; and the East European Studies Program's Junior Scholars' Training Seminar with the American Council of Learned Societies.

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Dated: October 14, 2004.

**Kenneth E. Roberts,**

*Executive Director, Advisory Committee for Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, Department of State.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### **Change Notice for RTCA Program Management Committee**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Program Management Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of the RTCA Program Management Committee.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held December 9, 2004 starting at 9 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 850, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site <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., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Program Management Committee meeting. The revised agenda will include:

- December 9:
  - Opening Session (Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Review/Approve Summary of Previous Meeting).
  - Publication Consideration/Approval:
    - Final Draft, Revised DO-245, Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards for Local Area Augmentation System (LAAS) RTCA Paper No. 198-04/PMC-370, prepared by SC-159.
    - Final Draft, Revised DO-160D, Environmental Conditions and Test Procedures for Airborne Equipment, RTCA Paper No. 200-04/PMC-371, prepared by SC-135.
  - Discussion:
    - Special Committee Chairman's Reports.
  - Action Item Review:
    - Possible New SC-189 Activity-Interoperability Requirements for Mixed Data Communications.
    - Review/Status.
    - Requirements Focus Group (RFG).

- Review/Status.
- 406 MHz Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELTs).
- Review/Status.
- Flight Information Services (FIS)/Aeronautical Information Services (AIS) Data Link.
- Review/Status.
- Software Considerations in Aviation Systems.
- Review/Status.
- Review/Approve SC-205 Terms of Reference.
- Closing Session (Other Business, Document Production, Date and Place of Next Meeting, Adjourn).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, 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.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 12, 2004.

**Natalie Ogletree,**

*FAA General Engineer, RTCA Advisory Committee.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### **Policy Statement; Installation of Electronic Engine Control for Reciprocating Engine; PS-ACE100-2004-10024**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of policy statement.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the issuance of policy statement PS-ACE100-2004-10024 on the installation of electronic engine control for reciprocating engines. This policy statement sets forth guidance on appropriate certification requirements for installation of an Electronic Engine Control (EEC) into a small airplane with a reciprocating engine. It includes guidance related to methods of compliance as well as potential Equivalent Level of Safety findings (ELOS) and special conditions.

**DATES:** Policy statement PS-ACE100-2004-10024 was issued by the Acting Manager of the Small Airplane Directorate, ACE-100, on November 18, 2004.

*How To Obtain Copies:* The policy statement will be available on the Internet at <http://www.airweb.faa.gov/policy>. You may obtain a paper copy of PS-ACE100-2004-10024 either by writing to the Small Airplane Directorate, Standards Office, ACE-111, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; by calling the office at telephone 816-329-4135; or by faxing your request to Mr. Pete Rouse at 816-329-4090.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Pete Rouse, Federal Aviation Administration, Small Airplane Directorate, Regulations & Policy, ACE-111, 901 Locust Street, Room 301, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone: (816) 329-4135; fax: 816-329-4090; e-mail: [peter.rouse@faa.gov](mailto:peter.rouse@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

We announced the availability of the policy statement on July 23, 2004 (69 FR 44075). Several comments were received, and the policy has been revised where necessary to respond to those comments.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri on November 18, 2004.

**James E. Jackson,**

*Acting Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

**Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request**

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

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Requirements (ICRs) abstracted below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICRs describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burdens. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on September 22, 2004 (69 FR 56819).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 3, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and

Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292), or Debra Steward, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6139). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Pub. L. 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.5, 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.12. On September 22, 2004, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting comment on ICRs that the agency was seeking OMB approval. 69 FR 56819. FRA received two comments after issuing this notice.

The first comment (letter) came from the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET), which represents both locomotive engineers and trainmen. BLET expressed its wholehearted support for the proposed study. In his letter, Don M. Hahs, the President of BLET, observed:

BLET, and others, believe the collection of this data will provide greater insight into the probability of safety related injury associated with these [critical incident] events. Given the fact that the frequency of these events may result in locomotive engineers experiencing several of them in their careers, the FRA and industry can be benefited in understanding the scope of this concern. The proposed data collection and purpose for which it is being collected can provide non-regulatory and preemptive approaches that may mitigate the negative effects to safety and health associated with Post-Traumatic Stress.

Mr. M. Hahs further remarked:

The identification of "best practices" for Critical Incident Stress Debriefing programs, as proposed in the study, will allow the transportation community to learn a great deal. The eventual publication of the study has the potential to add to the body of research of this recognized problem and will add value for the scientific community with no burden to the society at large. Therefore, the BLET encourages FRA to move forward with the proposed study and seek approval from the Office of Management and Budget as soon as possible.

BLET did address the paperwork burden for this proposed collection of information. Mr. Hahs noted: "BLET considers the estimates of the burden of

information collection activities, its methodologies, and assumptions to be valid."

The Union Pacific Railroad also expressed its support for the project. In his comment (letter), Dr. Dennis W. Holland, Director, Occupational Health Psychology, Union Pacific Safety Department, stated the following:

The study is timely and of significant interest to the rail industry. UPRR is a pioneer in the development and implementation of Peer Support programs for employees involved in critical incidents. We believe the proposed study will benefit both the railroads and railroad labor by providing information on how best to respond to critical incidents. In addition, the information provided by the proposed study will enable railroad professionals to best use resources to assist employees dealing with tragic events.

There is no cost for materials to study participants, and the total burden hours are minimal. It should be also be noted that FRA and its contractor, University of Denver, have been in contact with representatives of the Association of American Railroads (AAR), the BLET, and the United Transportation Union (UTU) from the beginning concerning the need for this study and the proposed procedures. These representatives have made several useful suggestions, which have been incorporated into the design of this study. Several useful suggestions were also provided, and used, by members of the CISD resource group—an entity established to assist in the development of this study. This resource group consists of representatives from the AAR, BLE, UTU, and several Class 1 and short line carriers. Finally, a team of epidemiologists and statisticians from reputable universities and establishments, including Yale University, the University of California at San Francisco, Colorado State University (Fort Collins), the University of Denver, the Denver VA Medical Center, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and individuals from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, reviewed the sampling plan of the proposed study and offered useful recommendations and feedback.

Before OMB decides whether to approve this proposed collection of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b); 5 CFR 1320.12(d). Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30 day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507 (b)-(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); *see also* 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes that the 30