

readily available to members responsible for compliance with Rule 6260 in a particular offering, and members would be able to provide this additional information as part of the Rule 6260 compliance process with little difficulty. Moreover, in the future, NASD may propose additional standards for dissemination to the SEC under Rule 6250. If additional standards are proposed and adopted, NASD would be required to identify and analyze additional characteristics of a security to determine if the security is subject to dissemination immediately before trading begins. The proposed amendment to Rule 6260(b), as drafted, will allow NASD to require members to submit the descriptive information that is then relevant in making a dissemination determination under Rule 6250.

NASD is also proposing that the new issue notification be submitted via email or facsimile to NASD. Currently, many members e-mail the new issue notification to NASD. Some members have provided the new issue notification by telephone. Members that provide the new issue notification by telephone would be required to provide it by email or a facsimile in order to comply with the proposed amendment.

2. Statutory Basis

NASD believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the provisions of section 15A(b)(6) of the Act,⁷ which requires, among other things, that NASD's rules must be designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, to promote just and equitable principles of trade, and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest. NASD believes that the proposed rule change, if approved, will enhance transparency in the debt securities markets and will provide NASD, as the self-regulatory organization designated to regulate the over-the-counter markets, with heightened capabilities to regulate and provide surveillance of the debt securities markets to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices for the protection of investors and the public interest.

B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

NASD does not believe that the proposed rule change will result in any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, as amended.

C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others

Written comments were neither solicited nor received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Within 35 days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** or within such longer period (i) as the Commission may designate up to 90 days of such date if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or (ii) as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission will:

A. By order approve such proposed rule change, or

B. Institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room. Copies of such filing will also be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of NASD. All submissions should refer to file number SR-NASD-2003-99 and should be submitted by July 29, 2003.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁸

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4394]

Bureau of Nonproliferation; Nonproliferation Measures Imposed on an Entity in China, Including a Ban on U.S. Government Procurement

AGENCY: Bureau of Nonproliferation, Department of State.

ACTION: Notice.

The U.S. Government has determined that the effective date of Public Notice 4370 (68 Federal 28314), concerning the imposition of measures on North China Industries Corporation (NORINCO), is the date of publication of that Notice in the **Federal Register**, May 23, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: On general issues: Vann H. Van Diepen, Office of Chemical, Biological, and Missile Nonproliferation, Bureau of Nonproliferation, Department of State, (202-647-1142). On import ban issues, Rochelle E. Stern, Chief, Policy Planning and Program Management Division, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, (202-622-2500). On U.S. Government procurement ban issues: Gladys Gines, Office of the Procurement Executive, Department of State, (703-516-1691).

Dated: July 1, 2003.

Andrew K. Semmel,

*Acting Assistant Secretary of State for
Nonproliferation, Department of State.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Availability of Changes to Advisory Circular 27-1B, Certification of Normal Category Rotorcraft, and Advisory Circular 29-2C, Certification of Transport Category Rotorcraft

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability of Advisory Circular (AC) changes.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of changes to AC 27-1B, Certification of Normal Category Rotorcraft, and AC 29-2C, Certification of Transport Category Rotorcraft. These changes revise AC paragraph 27.602, Critical Parts; AC paragraph 29.547A, Main Rotor and Tail Rotor Structure; AC paragraph 29.602, Critical Parts; and AC paragraph 29.917A, Design. These AC paragraphs are final and replace the existing paragraphs AC 27.602, AC

⁷ 15 U.S.C. 78o-3(b)(6).

⁸ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

29.547A, AC 29.602, and AC 29.917A, all dated 2/12/03. These changes clarify the wording in the corresponding rule.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary B. Roach, Regulations Group, FAA, Rotorcraft Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0111; telephone (817) 222-5130; fax (817) 222-5961; email; <http://www.Gary.B.Roach@FAA.GOV>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces the availability of AC changes. You can get electronic copies of these changes from the FAA by logging on to <http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl> and then clicking first on Advisory Circulars, then clicking on Current AC's, and then clicking on By Number. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may request a copy by contacting the person named under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

An Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) harmonization working group recommended these revisions. We have reviewed these recommended revisions and agree that they clarify further the language in each affected AC paragraph. Therefore, we will incorporate these revised paragraphs in the next change to AC 27-1B and AC 29-2C.

Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on June 25, 2003.

David A. Downey,

Manager, Rotorcraft Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent to Request Review From the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of One Proposed Public Collection of Information

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the FAA invites public comment on one proposed public information collection which will be submitted to OMB for approval.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 8, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Ms. Judy Street, Room 613, Federal Aviation Administration, Standards and Information Division,

APF-100, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Judy Street at the above address or on (202) 267-9895.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Therefore, the FAA solicits comments on the following proposed collection of information in order to evaluate the necessity of the collection, the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden, the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and possible ways to minimize the burden of the collection in preparation for submission to renew the clearances of the following information collections.

The following is a description of the collection activity:

Title: Information for the Prevention of Aircraft Collisions on Runways at Towered Airports. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Office of Runway Safety (ARI) would like to collect data on a periodic basis to determine performance of people operating in the National Airspace System (NAS) in relation to runway incursion risk. Information to be collected will include voluntary feedback on the efficacy of runway safety initiatives designed to reduce the risk of collision on the Nation's runways. Reduction of runway incursions is listed by the Department of Transportation (DOT) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) as one of the top ten transportation management improvements needed, and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) has selected runway safety as one of their "most wanted" transportation safety improvements. There is a lack of feedback information from people working and flying on the runways in the NAS. Feedback gathered on the accuracy and effectiveness of collision prevention methods will be used by the FAA in the future to improve safety performance. Data will be collected from varied respondents who have the potential to be involved in a runway collision. The sample population will be stratified into four general areas: Pilots, vehicle drivers, pedestrians, and management who exercise oversight of the varied respondents.

An annual total of 12,500 hours of burden are expected from an estimated 150,000 potential annual respondents; however, the FAA estimates a 25% response rate.

Issued in Washington, DC, on June 30, 2003.

Judith D. Street,

FAA Information Collection Clearance Officer, APF-100.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Proposed Information Collection.

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the FAA invites public comment on one new public information collection which will be submitted on OMB for approval.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 8, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Ms. Judy Street, Room 613, Federal Aviation Administration, Standards and Information Division, APF-100, 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Judy Street at the above address or on (202) 267-9895.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Therefore, the FAA solicits comments on the following collection of information in order to evaluate the necessity of the collection, the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden, the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and possible ways to minimize the burden of the collection in preparation for submission to approve the clearance of the following information collection.

Following is a summary of the new collection:

Title: Southwest Region Assessment of Aviation Examiners. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), through the Civil Aerospace Medical Institute (CAMI), has undertaken an effort to improve aviation safety through collecting data on the quality of flight training and testing. This research requires that information be collected from general aviation (GA) pilots newly certificated by the FAA. Since GA pilot