

Discussion

The limit engine torque load imposed by sudden engine stoppage due to malfunction or structural failure (such as compressor jamming) has been a specific requirement for transport category airplanes since 1957. In the past, the design torque loads associated with typical failure scenarios have been estimated by the engine manufacturer and provided to the airframe manufacturer as limit loads. These limit loads were considered simple, pure torque static loads. The size, configuration, and failure modes of jet engines have changed considerably from those envisioned when the engine seizure requirement of § 25.361(b) was first adopted. Current engines are much larger and are now designed with large bypass fans capable of producing much larger torque loads if they become jammed. It is evident from service history that the frequency of occurrence of the most severe sudden engine stoppage events is rare.

Relative to the engine configurations that existed when the rule was developed in 1957, the present generation of engines are sufficiently different and novel to justify issuance of special conditions to establish appropriate design standards. The latest generation of jet engines are capable of producing, during failure, transient loads that are significantly higher and more complex than the generation of engines that were present when the existing standard was developed. Therefore, the FAA has determined that special conditions are needed for the Bombardier Aerospace Model BD-100-1A10 airplane.

In order to maintain the level of safety envisioned in § 25.361(b), more comprehensive criteria is needed for the new generation of high-bypass engines. The special conditions would distinguish between the more common engine failure events and those rare events resulting from structural failures. For these rarer but more severe seizure events, the criteria could allow some deformation in the engine supporting structure (ultimate load design) in order to absorb the higher energy associated with the high-bypass engines, while at the same time protecting the adjacent primary structure in the wing and fuselage by providing a higher safety factor. The criteria for the more severe events would no longer be a pure static torque load condition, but would account for the full spectrum of transient dynamic loads developed from the engine failure condition.

Applicability

As discussed above, these special conditions are applicable to the Bombardier Aerospace Model BD-100-1A10 airplane. Should Bombardier Aerospace apply at a later date for a change to the type certificate to include another model incorporating the same novel or unusual design feature, these special conditions would apply to that model as well under the provisions of § 21.101(a)(1) [Amendment 21-69, effective September 16, 1991].

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 type certification basis for Bombardier Aerospace Model BD-100-1A10 airplanes.

1. *Sudden Engine Stoppage.* In lieu of compliance with § 25.361(b), the following special conditions apply:

a. For turbine engine installations, the engine mounts, pylons, and adjacent supporting airframe structure must be designed to withstand 1g level flight loads acting simultaneously with the maximum limit torque loads imposed by each of the following:

(1) Sudden engine deceleration due to a malfunction which could result in a temporary loss of power or thrust.

(2) The maximum acceleration of the engine.

b. For auxiliary power unit installations, the power unit mounts and adjacent supporting airframe structure must be designed to withstand 1g level flight loads acting simultaneously with the maximum limit torque loads imposed by each of the following:

(1) Sudden auxiliary power unit deceleration due to malfunction or structural failure.

(2) The maximum acceleration of the auxiliary power unit.

c. For engine supporting structure, an ultimate loading condition must be considered that combines 1g flight loads with the transient dynamic loads resulting from each of the following:

(1) The loss of any fan, compressor, or turbine blade.

(2) Where applicable to a specific engine design, and separately from the conditions specified in paragraph c(1)

above, any other engine structural failure that results in higher loads.

d. The ultimate loads developed from the conditions specified in paragraphs c(1) and c(2) above are to be multiplied by a factor of 1.0 when applied to engine mounts and pylons and multiplied by a factor of 1.25 when applied to adjacent supporting airframe structure.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 02-AEA-13]

Establishment of Class D Airspace; Rome, NY

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule; delay of effective date.

SUMMARY: This corrective action changes the effective date for the establishment of the Class D airspace area at Rome, NY. The proposed commissioning date for the Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) has been delayed; therefore, the effective date of the establishment of the Class D airspace must also be delayed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC May 15, 2003

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Francis Jordan, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AEA-520, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 1 Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, New York 11434-4809, telephone: (718) 553-4521.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

Federal Register Document 02-29902, Airspace Docket No. 02-AEA-13, published in the **Federal Register** on November 25, 2002 (67 FR 70533-70534), established the description of the Class D airspace area at Rome, NY. This action was originally scheduled to become effective on March 20, 2003; however, a delay in the commissioning of the ATCT has required the effective date of this action to be delayed until May 15, 2003.

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the effective date for the Class D airspace area at

Rome, NY as published in the **Federal Register** on November 25, 2002 (67 FR 70533–70534), (**Federal Register** Document) is corrected as follows:

PART 71—[CORRECTED]

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Delay of Effective Date

The effective date on Airspace Docket No. 02–AEA–13 is hereby delayed from March 20, 2003 to May 15, 2003

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

17 CFR Part 4

Commodity Pool Operators

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Final rules.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “Commission” or “CFTC”) has adopted amendments to part 4 of its rules, which governs Commodity Pool Operators (“CPOs”) and Commodity Trading Advisors (“CTAs”). These amendments make clear that certain Disclosure Documents need only be filed with the National Futures Association (“NFA”) and need not also be filed with the Commission. The Commission, in a separate Notice and Order published elsewhere in the **Federal Register**, has authorized NFA to receive and review these documents.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 17, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In 1997, the Commission authorized NFA to review Disclosure Documents

that CPOs are required to file, pursuant to Commission rule 4.26(d), with regard to those Disclosure Documents filed for “privately offered” pools.¹ In December 2002, the Commission amended part 4 of its rules, including rule 4.26(d), to make clear that, as a result of the Commission order issued in 1997, as well as a Commission order issued in December 2002 that authorized NFA to receive and review various documents required to be filed with the Commission,² it was no longer necessary for the Commission to receive copies of these documents.³ Accordingly, the Commission amended the subject rules to make clear that the required documents need only be filed with NFA and need not also be filed with the Commission.⁴ As the Commission would continue to receive and review Disclosure Documents for publicly-offered pools, rule 4.26(d) was amended by adding paragraph (d)(3) to make clear that Disclosure Documents for publicly-offered pools, as well as any subsequent amendments to such Disclosure Documents, must be filed with the Commission.⁵

II. Rule Amendments

In a separate notice published elsewhere today in the **Federal Register**, the Commission is authorizing NFA to receive and review Disclosure Documents required to be filed by CPOs, pursuant to Commission rule 4.26(d), with regard to publicly-offered commodity pools. Accordingly, as the Commission noted regarding Disclosure Documents filed by CPOs with regard to privately offered pools, it is not necessary for the Commission to impose upon the persons filing these documents the burden and cost of having to file the documents with both NFA and the Commission. The Commission is, therefore, amending rule 4.26(d) to make clear that the required documents need only be filed with NFA and need not also be filed with the Commission.

¹ See 62 FR 52088 (Oct. 6, 1997). Pursuant to Commission rule 4.24(d)(3)(i), “privately offered” commodity pools are those offered pursuant to section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (15 U.S.C. 77d(2)), or pursuant to Regulation D thereunder (17 CFR 230.501 *et seq.*). As discussed herein, “publicly-offered” commodity pools are pools not offered pursuant to section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933 or pursuant to Regulation D.

² See 67 FR 77470 (Dec. 18, 2002).

³ See 67 FR 77409 (Dec. 18, 2002).

⁴ See 67 FR at 77410–11. The Commission rules amended were: (1) 4.5; (2) 4.7; (3) 4.12; (4) 4.13; (5) 4.14; (6) 4.22; (7) 4.26; and (8) 4.36.

⁵ See 67 FR at 77411.

III. Related Matters

A. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”)⁶ imposes certain requirements on federal agencies (including the Commission) in connection with their conducting or sponsoring any collection of information as defined by the PRA. The rule amendment does not require a new collection of information on the part of any entities subject to the proposed rule amendments. Accordingly, for purposes of the PRA, the Commission certifies that this rule amendment will not impose any new reporting or recordkeeping requirements.

B. Cost-Benefit Analysis

Section 15(a) of the Act requires the Commission to consider the costs and benefits of its action before issuing a new regulation under the Act. By its terms, section 15(a) does not require the Commission to quantify the costs and benefits of a new regulation or to determine whether the benefits of the proposed regulation outweigh its costs. Rather, section 15(a) simply requires the Commission to “consider the costs and benefits” of its action.

Section 15(a) further specifies that costs and benefits shall be evaluated in light of five broad areas of market and public concern: Protection of market participants and the public; efficiency, competitiveness, and financial integrity of futures markets; price discovery; sound risk management practices; and other public interest considerations. Accordingly, the Commission could in its discretion give greater weight to any one of the five enumerated areas and could in its discretion determine that, notwithstanding its costs, a particular rule was necessary or appropriate to protect the public interest or to effectuate any of the provisions or to accomplish any of the purposes of the Act.

The amendment herein is intended to minimize the filing burdens imposed upon CPOs by making clear that the subject documents need only be filed with NFA and not also the Commission. The Commission is considering the costs and benefits of this rule in light of the specific provisions of section 15(a) of the Act:

1. *Protection of market participants and the public.* While the amendment is expected to lessen the filing burdens imposed upon CPOs, it does not reduce the type of information and documents that must be provided to customers of CPOs. Moreover, these documents will

⁶ 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*