- 4. Report from Executive Director.
- 5. Items of Interest.
- 6. Discussion and agreement of location and dates for subsequent meetings.

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to the space available. With the approval of the Chairperson, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons desiring to attend and persons desiring to present oral statements should notify the person listed above not later than October 17, 2003. The next quarterly meeting of the FAA ATPAC is planned to be held from January 26–29, 2004, in Sacramento, California.

Any member of the public may present a written statement to the Committee at any time at the address given above.

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 12, 2003.

### John A. Clayborn,

 $\label{lem:exact of procedures} Executive\ Director,\ Air\ Traffic\ Procedures\ Advisory\ Committee.$ 

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

# **Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee—Open Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 5 U.S.C. App. 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Commercial Space Transportation Advisory Committee (COMSTAC). The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 30, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Federal Aviation Administration Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, in the Bessie Coleman Conference Center, 2nd Floor. This will be the thirty-eighth meeting of the COMSTAC.

The proposed agenda for the meeting will include a briefing from members of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board focusing on the post-Columbia implications for all United States space sectors, updates on current commercial space transportation legislation, and an activities report from FAA's Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation. Meetings of the

COMSTAC Working Groups (Technology and Innovation, Reusable Launch Vehicle, Risk Management, and Launch Operations and Support) will be held on Wednesday, October 29, 2003. For specific information concerning the times and locations of these meetings, contact the Contact Person listed below.

Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should inform the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Parker (AST–200), Office of the Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation (AST), 800 Independence Avenue SW., Room 331, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 385–4713; e-mail

brenda.parker@faa.dot.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, September 11, 2003.

### Patricia G. Smith,

Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

[Policy Statement No. ANM-2003-115-30]

## Policy Statement on Side-Facing Seats on Transport Category Airplanes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed policy; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the availability of proposed policy that clarifies certification policy on § 25.785(a), Amendment 25–64, for sidefacing seats.

**DATES:** Send your comments on or before October 20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Address your comments to the individual identified under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael T. Thompson, Federal Aviation Administration, Transport Airplane Directorate, Transport Standards Staff, Airframe and Cabin Safety Branch, ANM–115, 601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–1157; fax (425) 227–1100; e-mail: michael.t.thompson@faa.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Comments Invited**

The proposed policy is available on the Internet at the following address: <a href="http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl">http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl</a>. If you do not have access to the Internet, you can obtain a copy of the policy by contacting the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

The FAA invites your comments on this proposed policy. We will accept your comments, data, views, or arguments by letter, fax, or e-mail. Send your comments to the person indicated in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Mark your comments, "Comments to Policy Statement No. ANM–2003–115–30." Use the following format when preparing your comments:

- Organize your comments issue-byissue.
- For each issue, state what specific change you are requesting to the proposed policy.
- Include justification, reasons, or data for each change you are requesting. We also welcome comments in support of the proposed policy.

We will consider all communications received on or before the closing date for comments. We may change the proposed policy because of the comments received.

### Background

The proposed policy memorandum will provide Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certification policy on the occupant protection requirements of § 25.785(a), Amendment 25–64, for side-facing seats. Specifically, it provides guidance used to establish the minimum acceptable testing and human injury criteria for obtaining special conditions for single occupant side-facing seats and an exemption for multiple occupant side-facing seats.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on September 8, 2003.

### Vi L. Lipski,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board [STB Ex Parte No. 290 (Sub No. 5) (2003–4)]

### **Quarterly Rail Cost Adjustment Factor**

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

**ACTION:** Approval of rail cost adjustment factor.