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may allow the seller to keep physical custody of such records. However, custody of records by the seller does not relieve the purchaser of its responsibility under §135.439(c) to make the records available for inspection by the Administrator or any representative of the National Transportation Safety Board.

§ 135.443 Airworthiness release or aircraft maintenance log entry.

- (a) No certificate holder may operate an aircraft after maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations are performed on the aircraft unless the certificate holder prepares, or causes the person with whom the certificate holder arranges for the performance of the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations, to prepare—
 - (1) An airworthiness release; or
- (2) An appropriate entry in the aircraft maintenance log.
- (b) The airworthiness release or log entry required by paragraph (a) of this section must—
- (1) Be prepared in accordance with the procedure in the certificate holder's manual;
 - (2) Include a certification that—
- (i) The work was performed in accordance with the requirements of the certificate holder's manual;
- (ii) All items required to be inspected were inspected by an authorized person who determined that the work was satisfactorily completed;
- (iii) No known condition exists that would make the aircraft unairworthy; and
- (iv) So far as the work performed is concerned, the aircraft is in condition for safe operation; and
- (3) Be signed by an authorized certificated mechanic or repairman, except that a certificated repairman may sign the release or entry only for the work for which that person is employed and for which that person is certificated.
- (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b)(3) of this section, after maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations performed by a repair station located outside the United States, the airworthiness release or log entry required by paragraph (a) of this section may be signed by a person authorized by that repair station.

(d) Instead of restating each of the conditions of the certification required by paragraph (b) of this section, the certificate holder may state in its manual that the signature of an authorized certificated mechanic or repairman constitutes that certification.

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Subpart K—Hazardous Materials Training Program

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§ 135.501 Applicability and definitions.

- (a) This subpart prescribes the requirements applicable to each certificate holder for training each crewmember and person performing or directly supervising any of the following job functions involving any item for transport on board an aircraft:
 - (1) Acceptance;
 - (2) Rejection;
 - (3) Handling;
 - (4) Storage incidental to transport;
- (5) Packaging of company material; or
- (6) Loading.
- (b) *Definitions*. For purposes of this subpart, the following definitions apply:
- (1) Company material (COMAT)—Material owned or used by a certificate holder.
- (2) Initial hazardous materials training—The basic training required for each newly hired person, or each person changing job functions, who performs or directly supervises any of the job functions specified in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (3) Recurrent hazardous materials training—The training required every 24 months for each person who has satisfactorily completed the certificate holder's approved initial hazardous materials training program and performs or directly supervises any of the job functions specified in paragraph (a) of this section.