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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

11 CFR Parts 100, 102, and 104

[Notice 1999-20]

Rulemaking Petition: Reporting by Political Action Committees; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Rulemaking petition: notice of availability.

SUMMARY: On September 20, 1999, the Commission received a Petition for Rulemaking from the Project on Government Oversight ("POGO"). The Petition urges the Commission to revise various rules concerning reports filed by political action committees ("PACs"). The Petition is available for inspection in the Commission's Public Records Office, through its FAXLINE service, and on its Internet site, www.FEC.gov.
DATES: Statements in support of or in opposition to the Petition must be filed on or before November 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Rosemary C. Smith, Acting Assistant General Counsel, and must be submitted in either written or electronic form. Written comments should be sent to the Federal Election Commission, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20463. Faxed comments should be sent to (202) 219-3923, with printed copy follow-up. Electronic mail comments should be sent to PACreports@fec.gov. Commenters sending comments by electronic mail should include their full name and postal service address within the text of their comments. Comments that do not contain the full name, electronic mail address and postal service address of the commenter will not be considered.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rosemary C. Smith, Acting Assistant General Counsel, or Rita A. Reimer, Attorney, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20463, (202) 694-1650 or (800) 424-9530 (toll free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or

"Commission") has received a Petition for Rulemaking from the Project on Government Oversight, asking that it take six actions with regard to reports filed by Political Action Committees. Several of these recommended actions address, in whole or in part, internal Commission procedures that are not properly the subject of a rulemaking. The Commission is therefore seeking comments on only the following portions of the Petition, which address valid rulemaking concerns. The parenthetical numbers reflect the numbering contained in the Petition.

The issues on which comments are sought include (1) revising 11 CFR 100.6 to require PACs to list as an affiliated organization on their Statement of Organization any soft money account to which they forward checks;¹ (3) revising 11 CFR 102.9(a)(3) to require candidates who receive PAC contributions to maintain records that list each PAC's full name and Commission identification number, and 11 CFR 100.12 to require them to include this information on their FEC reports;² (5) revising 11 CFR 104.8(d)(4) to require PACs to notify the Commission within ten days of receiving a returned contribution; and (6) revising 104.13(2) to require PACs to notify candidates within ten days of any in-kind contribution.

Copies of the Petition for Rulemaking are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Records Office, 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20463, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., and on the Commission's Internet site, www.FEC.gov. Interested persons may also obtain a copy of the Petition by dialing the Commission's FAXLINE service at (202) 501-3413 and following its instructions, at any time of the day and week. Request document #243.

Consideration of the merits of the Petition will be deferred until the close of the comment period. If the Commission decides that the Petition has merit, it may begin a rulemaking proceeding. Any subsequent action taken by the Commission will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

¹The Commission notes that this proposal may also implicate 11 CFR 102.2, which addresses Statements of Organization.

²The Commission notes that this proposal may also implicate 11 CFR 104.3(a), which states what information about campaign receipts must be reported to the Commission.

Dated: October 7, 1999.

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Chairman, Federal Election Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 99-NM-131-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Saab Model SAAB SF-340 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: This action withdraws a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that proposed a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to Saab Model SAAB SF-340 series airplanes. That action would have required replacement of the existing pneumatic de-icing boot pressure indicator switch with a newly designed switch. Since the issuance of the NPRM, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has received new data that demonstrates that the unsafe condition cannot occur. Accordingly, the proposed rule is withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Norman B. Martenson, Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (425) 227-2110; fax (425) 227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to add a new airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to Saab Model SAAB SF-340 series airplanes, was published in the **Federal Register** as a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on July 22, 1999 (64 FR 39450). The proposed rule would have required replacement of the existing pneumatic de-icing boot pressure indicator switch with a newly designed switch. That action was prompted by an occurrence on a similar airplane model in which the pneumatic de-icing boot indication light may have provided the flightcrew with misleading information as to the proper functioning