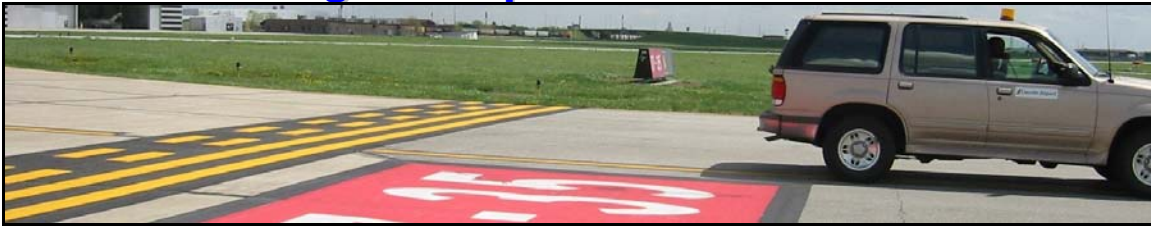


# Central Region Airport Certification Bulletin



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**Application**

This bulletin is being sent to Part 139 Airport Managers and State Aviation Directors in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska

**Background:**

The FAA Office of Airport Safety and Standards, Washington, D.C., has issued [CertAlert No. 06-02](#) (pdf), dated February 8, 2006, concerning purchasing Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) that is acceptable to the FAA.

Not all airport operators are aware of the FAA National CertAlerts that are issued. The complete listing of national CertAlerts are available on the web at:

[http://www.faa.gov/airports/airport\\_safety/certalerts/](http://www.faa.gov/airports/airport_safety/certalerts/)

## Photographs



UL listed AFFF purchased after July 1, 2006, will no longer be considered acceptable for complying with Part 139 requirements.



Any AFFF purchased after July 1, 2006 at airports certificated under Title 14 CFR Part 139 must meet MIL-F-24385.

### Action Needed:

Airport operators should check with their purchasing departments or city purchasing departments to make sure that the MIL-F-24385 specifications are used for any future purchases of ARFF. Airport operators should also ensure that the foam specifications do not include AFFF/Alcohol Type Concentrate, which is not an acceptable type foam for airport use.