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Francisco Estrada C.,
RTCA Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

RTCA Program Management Committee

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of RTCA Program Management Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of the RTCA Program Management Committee.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 17, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 850, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site <http://www.rtca.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a RTCA Program Management Committee meeting. The agenda will include:

- Opening Plenary (Welcome and Introductions).
- Review/Approve Summary of December 2, 2009 PMC meeting, RTCA Paper No. 009-10/PMC-772.
- Publication Consideration/Approval.
- Final Draft, New Document, *Safety, Performance and Interoperability Requirements Document for Enhanced Traffic Situational Awareness During Flight Operations (ATSA-AIRB)*, RTCA Paper No. 018-10/PMC-773, prepared by SC-186.
- Integration and Coordination Committee (ICC)—Report.
- SC-213 Coordination with other Special Committees—Recommendation

- SC-186/214 Coordination—Interval Management—Recommendation.

- Special Committee Interface Matrix—Review.

- Action Item Review.
- SC-147—Standards for Air Traffic Data Communications Services—Discussion—Review/Approve Revised Terms of Reference.

- SC-203—Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)—Discussion—Review Status.

- SC-214—Standards for Air Traffic Data Communications Services—Discussion—Review/Approve Revised Terms of Reference.

- SC-218—Future ADS-B/TCAS Relationships—Discussion—Review Status.

- Discussion.

- SC-186—Automatic Dependent Surveillance—Broadcast—Discussion—Review/Approve Revised Terms of Reference.

- SC-213—Enhanced Flight Vision Systems/Synthetic Vision Systems, (EFVS/SVS)—Discussion—Review/Approve Revised Terms of Reference.

- Web Workplace—Discussion.

- ICAO—Discussion.

- Special Committees—Chairmen's Reports.

- Closing Plenary (Other Business, Document Production and PMC Meeting Schedule Meeting, Adjourned).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Orders Limiting Scheduled Operations at John F. Kennedy International Airport, LaGuardia Airport and Newark Liberty International Airport; High Density Rule at Reagan National Airport

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of limited waiver of the slot usage requirement.

SUMMARY: This action announces a limited waiver of the requirements to use slots at Washington's Reagan National Airport (DCA) and Operating Authorizations (slots) at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), LaGuardia Airport (LGA), and Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR). This policy is effective from February 5, 2010 through February 15, 2010.

DATES: Effective upon publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Hawks, Office of the Chief Counsel, Regulations Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenues, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-7143; e-mail: rob.hawks@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Multiple snowstorms in the northeastern and mid-Atlantic United States beginning February 5, 2010, severely disrupted aviation and other modes of transportation. Substantial amounts of snow from these storms resulted in numerous airport closures. Airports' capacity was also significantly reduced due to weather, snow removal operations, and aircraft deicing programs. Air carriers responded by cancelling flights and combining operations, and the FAA used traffic management programs as needed to manage traffic with available airspace and airport capacity. Carriers instituted network operational recovery plans during this time to position aircraft and crews needed to resume scheduled operations.

The degree of disruption and cancellations varied by airport and by day, but DCA, JFK, LGA, and EWR all were affected by the storms. However, the flight disruptions were not limited to the slot-controlled airports. Operations at other airports in the Washington, DC, area and throughout the eastern United States were likewise impacted. Recovery of normal operations took several days after the initial storms and was exacerbated by subsequent adverse weather conditions. Operations at all airports appeared to return to normal by February 16.

Under the FAA's High Density Rule and orders limiting scheduled operations at the airports, slots must be used at least 80 percent of the time. Slots not meeting the minimum usage rules will be withdrawn or not receive historic precedence for the following scheduling season, depending on the

airport.¹ The FAA may grant a waiver from the minimum usage requirements in highly unusual and unpredictable conditions that are beyond the control of the carrier and affect carrier operations for a period of five consecutive days or more.

Statement of Policy

The FAA has determined these unusual circumstances meet the criteria for a limited waiver of the minimum slot usage. Accordingly, the FAA will treat as used any slot or Operating Authorization held by a carrier from February 5 through 15, 2010.

The FAA does not intend to routinely grant general waivers to the usage requirements. Rules allow for up to 20 percent nonuse, including planned and unplanned cancellations. These rules are expected to accommodate routine weather and other cancellations under all but the most unusual circumstances.

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James W. Whitlow,
Acting Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

Genesis Worldwide Logistics

[Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2010-0008]

The Genesis Worldwide Logistics (GWWL) has petitioned FRA for a waiver of compliance from the requirements of 49 CFR 223.11, "Safety Glazing Standards for Locomotives," and 49 CFR 231.30, "Locomotives used in Switching Service." GWWL is in the business of providing in-plant switching services for a warehousing and packaging distribution business located in Houston, Texas. The efficiency and safety of their in-plant operation is

dependent on their use of the "Stewart-Stevenson SS-4650 RailKing." GWWL reports that this is a most technologically up-to-date self-propelled vehicle designed for the movement of rail cars. The switching and interchange operations of GWWL are limited to movement on tracks at speeds of less than 10 mph on "other-than-main-track" and on their own leased track from the Union Pacific. The approval of this request would allow for "compliant use" of the SS4650 RailKing for these operations.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2010-0008) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 202-493-2251.
- *Mail:* Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- *Hand Delivery:* 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the document (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register**

published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477) or at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html>.

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Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

[Docket ID PHMSA-2010-0034]

Pipeline Safety: Random Drug Testing Rate

AGENCY: Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Minimum Annual Percentage Rate for Random Drug Testing.

SUMMARY: PHMSA has determined that the minimum random drug testing rate for covered employees will remain at 25 percent during calendar year 2010.

DATES: Effective January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stanley Kastanas, Program Manager, Substance Abuse Prevention Program, PHMSA, U.S. Department of Transportation, telephone 202-550-0629 or e-mail stanley.kastanas@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Operators of gas, hazardous liquid, and carbon dioxide pipelines and operators of liquefied natural gas facilities must select and test a percentage of covered employees for random drug testing. Pursuant to 49 CFR 199.105(c)(2), (3), and (4), the PHMSA Administrator's decision on whether to change the minimum annual random drug testing rate is based on the reported random drug test positive rate for the pipeline industry. The data considered by the Administrator comes from operators' annual submissions of Management Information System (MIS) reports required by 49 CFR 199.119(a). If the reported random drug test positive rate is less than one percent, the Administrator may continue the minimum random drug testing rate at 25 percent. In 2008, the random drug test positive rate was less than one percent. Therefore, the minimum random drug testing rate will remain at 25 percent for calendar year 2010.

¹ 14 CFR § 93.227 (DCA); 74 FR 51648 (Oct. 7, 2009) (EWR); 74 FR 51650 (Oct. 7, 2009) (JFK); 74 FR 51653 (Oct. 7, 2009) (LGA).