

6068, February 20, 1992), and by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD), to read as follows:

Airbus Industrie: Docket 2000–NM–342–AD. Supersedes AD 92–04–06, Amendment 39–8177.

Applicability: All Model A319, A320, and A321 series airplanes; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (e) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent excessive vibration of the elevators, which could result in reduced structural integrity, leading to reduced controllability of the airplane, accomplish the following:

Inspection

(a) Within 18 months from the last inspection for excessive freeplay or within 3 months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later: Inspect the elevators for excessive freeplay, using a load application tool and a spring scale assembly, in accordance with Airbus A319/A320 Aircraft Maintenance Manual (AMM) Task 27–34–00–200–001, including all changes through August 1, 2000. Thereafter, repeat the inspection at intervals not to exceed 18 months.

Repair

(b) If any inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD indicates that the freeplay in the elevator exceeds 7 millimeters: Prior to further flight, repair the elevator or servo controls, in accordance with Airbus A319/A320 AMM Task 27–34–51–200–001 and/or 27–34–41–200–001, as applicable, including all changes through August 1, 2000.

Replacement

(c) For the airplanes listed in Airbus Service Bulletin A320–27–1111, Revision 01, dated November 14, 2000: Within 18 months after the effective date of this AD, replace the elevator servo controls with modified elevator servo controls, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320–27–1111, dated August 16, 1996; or Revision 01, dated November 14, 2000.

(d) For the airplanes listed in Airbus Service Bulletin A320–27–1114, Revision 04, dated December 7, 1999: Within 18 months after the effective date of this AD, shift the elevator neutral setting to minus 0.5 degrees, nose-up, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320–27–1114, Revision 04, dated December 7, 1999.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(e) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116, Transport Airplane Directorate, FAA. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM–116.

Special Flight Permits

(f) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on February 22, 2001.

Donald L. Riggins,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 432

Trade Regulation Rule Relating to Power Output Claims for Amplifiers Utilized in Home Entertainment Products

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice to reopen comment period.

SUMMARY: On December 22, 2000, the Federal Trade Commission (the “Commission”) commenced a rulemaking proceeding and requested public comments on a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking to amend its Rule relating to Power Output Claims for Amplifiers Utilized in Home Entertainment Products (the “Amplifier Rule”). The Commission solicited comments until February 23, 2001. In response to a request from an industry trade association, the Commission reopens the comment period until March 30, 2001.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until March 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to Office of the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, Room H–159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580. Comments should be identified as “16 CFR Part 432 Comment—Amplifier Rule.” If

possible, submit comments both in writing and on a personal computer diskette in Word Perfect or other word processing format (to assist in processing, please identify the format and version used). Written comments should be submitted, when feasible and not burdensome, in five copies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis Murphy, Economist, Division of Consumer Protection, Bureau of Economics, (202) 326–3524, or Neil Blickman, Attorney, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, (202) 326–3038, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On December 22, 2000, the Commission published in the **Federal Register** a request for public comments on a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking to amend its Amplifier Rule, 16 CFR part 432 (65 FR 80798). The Amplifier Rule was promulgated on May 3, 1974 (39 FR 15387), to assist consumers in purchasing power amplification equipment for home entertainment purposes by standardizing the measurement and disclosure of various performance characteristics of the equipment. Specifically, the **Federal Register** notice solicited public comments on Commission proposals to amend the Amplifier Rule's testing procedures to provide appropriate power output ratings for the recently introduced class of “home theater” receivers that incorporate five or more channels of amplification. Pursuant to the **Federal Register** notice, the comment period on the supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking ended on February 23, 2001.

On February 13, 2001, the Commission staff received a request for an extension of the comment period from the Consumer Electronics Association (“CEA”). CEA has indicated that additional time is required so that it can conduct consumer research and industry surveys, which it asserts will be useful in preparing thorough, thoughtful responses to the proposals and questions contained in the **Federal Register** notice.

The Commission is aware that the issues raised by the **Federal Register** notice are complex and technical. Accordingly, to provide sufficient time for interested parties to prepare useful comments, the Commission has decided to extend the deadline for comments on its supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking until March 30, 2001.

Authority 15 U.S.C. 41–58.

List of Subjects in 16 CFR Part 432

Amplifiers, Home entertainment products, Trade practices.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING COMMISSION**25 CFR Part 542****Minimum Internal Control Standards**

AGENCY: National Indian Gaming Commission.

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; Notice of extension of time.

SUMMARY: On November 27, 2000, the National Indian Gaming Commission (Commission) issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (65 FR 70673, November 27, 2000) proposing to revise its regulations establishing minimum internal control standards (MICS) for gaming operations on Indian land. The date for filing comments is being extended.

DATES: Comments shall be filed on or before March 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Minimum Internal Control Standards, First Revision Comments, National Indian Gaming Commission, Suite 9100, 1441 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005. Fax number: 202-632-7066 (not a toll-free number). Public comments may be delivered or inspected from 9 a.m. until noon and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe H. Smith at 503-326-7050, or by facsimile at 503-326-5092 (not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), 25 U.S.C. 2701-2721, was signed into law on October 17, 1988, creating the Commission and establishing a comprehensive system for regulating gambling activities on Indian lands. Following a thorough rulemaking process, that included a tribal advisory committee and public hearings, the Commission determined that minimum internal control standards were needed to ensure the integrity of gaming on Indian lands and to safeguard this source of tribal revenues. On January 5, 1999, the Commission published its Minimum Internal Control Standards, 25 CFR Part 542. In developing the MICS, the Commission anticipated that

the regulation would be subject to periodic revision to maintain consistency with evolving technology and sound practice in the gaming industry. The Commission recognized the importance of ensuring that tribal gaming operations were not locked into internal control systems that contained unworkable requirements or that laced those operations at a competitive disadvantage. Overall, implementation of the MICS has had a positive impact on the ability of tribal oversight officials and the Commission to identify potential threats to the integrity of Indian gaming operations. As anticipated, however, in the period since publication of the MICS, there have been changes in Indian gaming and gaming technology that may need to be reflected in the MICS. Additionally, as gaming tribes and the Commission have gained practical experience with the MICS, it has become apparent that there are some technical errors in the regulation and that some of the standards themselves may not be operating as the Commission has intended.

Montie R. Deer,

Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****26 CFR Part 1**

[REG-106030-98]

RIN 1545-AW50

Source of Income from Certain Space and Ocean Activities; Also, Source of Communications Income; Hearing

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Change of date of public hearing; extension of time to submit outlines of oral comments.

SUMMARY: This document changes the date of the public hearing on the proposed regulations under section 863(d) governing the source of income from certain space and ocean activities. It also extends the time to submit outlines of oral comments for the hearing.

DATES: The public hearing will be held May 23, 2001, beginning at 10 a.m. Additional outlines of oral comments must be received by May 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held in Room 2615, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Send submissions to: Regulations Unit CC (REG-106030-98), room 5226, Internal Revenue Service, POB 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Submissions may be hand delivered between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to: Regulations Unit CC (REG-106030-98), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington DC. Alternatively, taxpayers may submit outlines of oral comments electronically directly to the IRS Internet site at <http://www.irs.gov/taxregs/reglist.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Concerning the regulations, Anne Shelburne, (202) 874-1490; concerning submission, LaNita Van Dyke, (202) 622-7190 (not toll-free numbers).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing, appearing in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, January 17, 2001 (66 FR 3903), announced that a public hearing on the proposed regulations under section 863(d) governing the source of income from certain space and ocean activities would be held on March 28, 2001, in the Auditorium, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Subsequently, the date of the public hearing has changed to May 23, 2001, at 10 a.m. in room 2615. Outlines of oral comments must be received by May 2, 2001.

Cynthia Grigsby,

Chief, Regulations Unit, Office of Special Counsel (Modernization & Strategic Planning).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Parts 70 and 71**

[FRL-6934-6]

RIN 2060-AJ04

State and Federal Operating Permits Programs: Amendments to Compliance Certification Requirements

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: We, the EPA, are proposing to amend the State Operating Permits