

readiness of weather research and development (R&D) products for experimental use, full operational use for meteorologists or full operational use for end users. The board's determinations will be based upon criteria in the following areas: Users needs; benefits; costs; risks; technical readiness; operational readiness and budget requirements.

The user interface process is designed to allow FAA to both report progress and receive feedback from industry users. Each AWTB board meeting will be preceded by a half-day industry review session approximately one month prior to each board meeting. These industry review sessions will be announced in the **Federal Register** and open to all interested parties.

This meeting is the industry review session intended to receive feedback on a weather R&D product that will be presented for consideration at the November 2003 AWTB Board meeting. The product to be considered is the Current Icing Potential—Alaska (CIP—AK).

Meeting Procedures

(a) The meeting will be informal in nature and will be conducted by representatives of the FAA Headquarters.

(b) The meeting will be open to all persons on a space-available basis. Every effort was made to provide a meeting site with sufficient seating capacity for the expected participation. There will be neither admission fee nor other charge to attend and participate. This meeting is being held in conjunction with the NBAA Convention 2003. There is a charge to attend the NBAA convention; however, any person desiring to attend this informal meeting will be admitted by NBAA convention officials at no charge to this meeting only.

(c) FAA personnel present will conduct a briefing on how the AWTB system works and any changes made to the process in the last year. Any person will be allowed to ask questions during the presentation and FAA personnel will clarify any part of the process that is not clear.

(d) FAA personnel will present a briefing on the specific product to be reviewed at the November 2003 AWTB Board Meeting. Any person will be allowed to ask questions during the presentation and FAA personnel will clarify any part of the presentation that is not clear.

(e) Any person present may give feedback on the product to be presented. Feedback on the proposed product will be captured through discussion between

FAA personnel and any persons attending the meeting. The meeting will not be formally recorded. However, informal tape recordings may be made of the presentations to ensure that each respondent's comments are noted accurately.

(f) An official verbatim transcript or minutes of the informal meeting will not be made. However, a list of the attendees and a digest of discussions during the meeting will be produced. Any person attending may receive a copy of the written information upon request at the meeting.

(g) Every reasonable effort will be made to hear each person's feedback consistent with a reasonable closing time for the meeting. Written feedback may also be submitted to FAA personnel for up to seven (7) days after the close of the meeting.

Agenda

- (a) Opening Remarks and Discussion of Meeting Procedures.
- (b) Briefing on AWTB Process.
- (c) Briefing on Weather Products.
- (d) Request for User Input.
- (e) Closing Comments.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA 03-15651; Notice 3]

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Extension of comment period for a notice of draft interpretations.

SUMMARY: This document extends the comment period on a notice setting forth two draft interpretations concerning how our standard on lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment applies to replacement equipment. In response to petitions from the Transportation Safety Equipment Institute (TSEI) and the Truck Trailer Manufacturers Association (TTMA), the agency is extending the comment period from October 2, 2003 to October 31, 2003.

DATES: You should submit comments early enough to ensure that Docket Management receives them not later than October 31, 2003.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by the docket number set forth above) by any of the following methods:

- Web site: <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site. Please note, if you are submitting petitions electronically as a PDF (Adobe) file, we ask that the documents submitted be scanned using Optical Character Recognition (OCR) process, thus allowing the agency to search and copy certain portions of your submissions.¹

- Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

- Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001.

- Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the Submission of Comments heading of the Supplementary Information section of the Notice of Draft Interpretations (68 FR 42454, 42456; July 17, 2003). Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading under Regulatory Notices.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time or to Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Feygin, Office of Chief Counsel, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, Telephone: (202) 366-2992, Fax: (202) 366-3820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 17, 2003, the agency published a notice requesting comments on two draft interpretations in response to questions

¹ Optical character recognition (OCR) is the process of converting an image of text, such as a scanned paper document or electronic fax file, into computer-editable text.