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FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY

[14 CFR Part 25]

[Docket No. 1858; Ref. Notice 63-27]

AIRSPEED OPERATING LIMITATION FOR TRANSPORT CATEGORY AIRPLANES

Withdrawal of Notice of Proposed Rule Making

The purpose of this action is to withdraw Notice 63-27 published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (28 F.R. 7481) dated July 23, 1963.

In Notice 63-27 the Agency proposed to amend Part 25 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (formerly Part 4b of the Civil Air Regulations) and Special Regulation SR-450A to require the use of a red line on the airspeed indicator to indicate the maximum operating limit speed and to make it clear that the aural warning must be based on indicated airspeed rather than calibrated or true airspeed. Included in the proposal were provisions deleting the term "never exceed speed" and the symbols "V_{NE}/M_{NE}" from the airplane Flight Manual, from airspeed and Mach instruments, and from placards and the inclusion of data in the emergency operation section of the Manual and on placards of all emergency flight conditions and associated speeds, when such speeds exceed V_{MO}/M_{MO}.

Upon further consideration and in the light of the numerous comments received in response to the notice, the Agency has concluded that certain of the proposed regulations are now unnecessary and that there is a need for further study with respect to other areas of the proposal. In this connection, it now appears that any meaningful proposal concerning the marking of the limit pointer must take into consideration the fact that the color and configuration of the marking must be suitable under all lighting conditions and must recognize the need to preclude transposition of the indicated airspeed and maximum operating limit speed pointers. Furthermore, the comments received concerning the amendment to the aural warning device provisions indicate that the proposed clarification may not be adequate and that further study of the matter is necessary. On the other hand, the Agency has determined that the proposed rules regarding the deletion of the term "never exceed speed" and the symbol "V_{NE}/M_{NE}" are now unnecessary.

Withdrawal of a notice of proposed rule making constitutes only such action, and does not preclude the Agency from issuing another notice in the future, nor commit the Agency to any course of action in the future.

In consideration of the foregoing, the notice of proposed rule making published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (28 F.R. 7481; July 23, 1963) and circulated as Notice 63-27, entitled "Airspeed Operating Limitation for Transport Category Airplanes", is hereby withdrawn.

Notice 63-27 is withdrawn under the authority of section 313(a) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (72 Stat. 752; 49 U.S.C. 1354).

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