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SPECIAL CIVIL AIR REGULATION

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXTEND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF REQUIREMENT FOR FUEL PRESSURE WARNING DEVICES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS

Section 40.172 (k) of Part 40 of the Civil Air Regulations requires that on and after January 1, 1955, all airplanes shall be equipped with an independent fuel pressure warning device for each engine, or a master warning device for all engines with means for isolating the individual warning circuits from the master warning device.

It has been brought to the Board's attention that certain air carriers will be unable to meet the January 1, 1955 deadline for compliance with Section 40.172 (k) but only with respect to a relatively few airplanes. This situation exists because of certain necessary readjustments in overhaul schedules. Since the modification requires extensive rewiring, it would be extremely difficult or impossible to perform the work in the field. The Board does not believe, however, that the requirement is so critical to safety that the aircraft involved should be grounded until the modifications have been accomplished particularly since it appears that such modifications will be completed by May 1, 1955.

The authorization provided by this regulation permits the Administrator to extend the compliance date of Section 40.172 (k) for a period of time up to but not beyond May 1, 1955, when he finds that the air carrier has made a diligent effort to comply with the requirement, but is unable to do so for reasons not wholly within its control and when such air carrier has shown that it will comply with the requirement by May 1, 1955.

Since this regulation is minor in nature, notice and public procedure hereon are unnecessary. In addition, since this regulation imposes no additional burden on any person, it may be made effective without prior notice.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby makes and promulgates the following Special Civil Air Regulation, effective immediately, to read as follows:

Contrary provisions of the Civil Air Regulations notwithstanding, the Administrator may, upon application made by an air carrier, extend the effective date of the requirements for fuel pressure warning devices as

contained in Section 40.172 (k) of Part 40 of the Civil Air Regulations: Provided, That the Administrator finds that such air carrier has made a diligent effort to comply with the requirement, but is unable to do so for reasons not wholly within its control and that such air carrier has shown that it will comply with the requirement by May 1, 1955.

This regulation shall terminate May 1, 1955, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

(sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984; 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601, 604, 52 Stat. 1007, 1010, as amended; 49 U.S.C. 551, 554)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

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