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Mr. Brad Marcum

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Dear Mr. Marcum:

This letter is in response to your request for interpretation dated April 6, 2010 regarding the meaning of the term "crewmember" in the context of 14 C.F.R. § 91.307(c) and whether it is different than a required crewmember.

Section 91.307(c) requires that persons other than crewmembers wear approved parachutes if certain high-bank or high-pitch maneuvers are intentionally performed in an aircraft. A crewmember is "a person assigned to perform duty in an aircraft during flight time." 14 C.F.R. § 1.1. Thus, § 91.307(c) does not apply to persons assigned to perform duty in an aircraft during flight time.

This response was prepared by Dean Griffith, Attorney in the Regulations Division of the Office of the Chief Counsel, and was coordinated with General Aviation and Commercial Division of Flight Standards Service. Please contact us at (202) 267-3073 if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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