**NOTICE**

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**SUBJ:** OpSpec D094, Airplane Night Vision Goggle Operations (ANVGO) Maintenance Program Under Part 135

**1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice provides guidance for Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certificate-holding district offices (CHDO) and principal inspectors (PI) assigned to operators requesting authorization to conduct airplane night vision goggle (NVG) operations under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 135. This authorization will use a new Operations Specification (OpSpec) D094, Airplane Night Vision Goggle Operations (ANVGO) Maintenance Program.

**2. Audience.** The primary audience for this notice is FAA CHDOs and PIs assigned to operators requesting authorization to conduct ANVGO under part 135. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards divisions and branches in the regions and in headquarters (HQ).

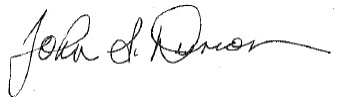
**3. Where You Can Find This Notice.** You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee Web site at https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices. Inspectors can access this notice through the Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS) at http://fsims.avs.faa.gov. Operators can find this notice on the FAA's Web site at http://fsims.faa.gov. This notice is available to the public at http://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/orders_notices.

**4. Background.** The industry has requested that the FAA establish an approval process for part 135 operators to conduct airplane NVG operations. This approval process required the creation of two new OpSpecs: OpSpec A051, Airplane Night Vision Goggle Operations, authorizing the certificate holder to conduct ANVGO under part 135, and OpSpec D094, authorizing the certificate holder's ANVGO Maintenance Program. OpSpecs A051 and D094 must be issued simultaneously to authorize a certificate holder to conduct ANVGO.
Part 135 rotorcraft operators are currently authorized to conduct NVG operations by the issuance of OpSpec A050, Helicopter Night Vision Goggle Operations (HNVGO), and OpSpec D093, Helicopter Night Vision Goggle Operations (HNVGO) Maintenance Program.

**5. Guidance.** The Aircraft Maintenance Division (AFS-300) developed this notice.
This notice contains the process used to authorize certificate holders to conduct ANVGO under part 135. See Appendix A for a sample of OpSpec D094.

**6. Action.** PIs should review the guidance for issuance of OpSpec D094 (which will be added to FAA Order 8900.1, Volume 3, Chapter 18, Section 6, and Volume 6, Chapter 11, Section 22) and ensure both A051 and D094 are issued simultaneously for ANVGO. PIs should provide this notice to the operators for whom they are responsible, alerting them to updated operating procedures.

**7. Disposition.** We will incorporate the information in this notice into Order 8900.1 before this notice expires. Direct questions concerning the information in this notice to the Aircraft Maintenance Division, General Aviation Branch (AFS-350), at 202-267-1675.



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## Appendix A. Sample OpSpec D094, Airplane Night Vision Operations (ANVGO) Maintenance Program: 14 CFR Part 135

a. The certificate holder is authorized to conduct ANVGO under the limitations and provisions of part 135 and operations specification A051 of these operations specifications using the aircraft listed in the following table. The Night Vision Imaging System (NVIS) includes the approved installed equipment and the night vision goggles (NVG). The NVIS and NVGs used to conduct ANVGO shall be maintained in accordance with the maintenance documents with current revision number/letter/date listed in the table. The NVGs are not aircraft specific.

**Table 1 – Authorized NVIS and NVG Maintenance Documents**

| Aircraft Registration Number | Aircraft Serial Number | Aircraft M/M/S | NVIS TC/STC Number | Maintenance Document for Aircraft NVIS w/ Revision Level | Maintenance Document for Night Vision Goggles w/ Revision Level/Date |
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