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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

7 CFR Parts 1700 and 1709

RIN 0572-AB91

Assistance to High Energy Cost Rural Communities

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of confirmation of direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) hereby gives notice that no adverse comments were received regarding the direct final rule on Assistance to High Energy Cost Rural Communities, and confirms the effective date of the direct final rule.

DATES: The direct final rule published in the **Federal Register** on February 2, 2005 (70 FR 5349) is effective March 21, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Larsen, Management Analyst, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, Electric Program, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Stop 1560, Room 5165–S, Washington, DC 20250– 1560. Telephone (202) 720–9545, fax (202) 690–0717, e-mail address: Karen.Larsen@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) is adopting regulations at 7 CFR parts 1700 and 1709 implementing its financial assistance programs for rural communities with extremely high energy costs. These programs are authorized under section 19 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended. This direct final rule is intended to establish and clarify eligibility and application requirements, the review and approval process, and grant administration procedures for RUS grants to rural communities with extremely high energy costs and for grants to State entities for bulk fuel revolving loan funds.

Confirmation of Effective Date

This is to confirm the effective date of March 21, 2005, for the direct final rule, 7 CFR parts 1700 and 1709, Assistance to High Energy Cost Rural Communities, published in the **Federal Register** on February 2, 2005.

Dated: March 29, 2005.

Curtis M. Anderson,

Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service. [FR Doc. 05–6717 Filed 4–4–05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–15–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2004–NE–06–AD; Amendment 39–14033; AD 2005–07–09]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company CF34–8E Series Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FAA is superseding an existing airworthiness directive (AD) for General Electric Company (GE) CF34-8E series turbofan engines with certain serial number (SN) master variable geometry (VG) actuators installed. That AD currently requires initial and repetitive reviews of the airplane computer systems for master VG actuator fault messages. That AD also requires replacement of actuators reported faulty by the Full Authority Digital Engine Control (FADEC). This AD requires the same reviews. This AD also prohibits installation of affected master VG actuators onto any CF34-8E series turbofan engine after the effective date of the AD. This AD results from the need to add to the list of affected parts, master VG actuators made by a parts manufacturing approval (PMA) holder. We are issuing this AD to prevent dualchannel electrical signal faults in the master VG actuator which will cause an

uncommanded reduction of thrust to idle with a subsequent loss of the ability to advance thrust above idle, and will result in a multiengine loss of thrust if dual-channel faults occur on more than one engine simultaneously.

DATES: Effective April 20, 2005. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations as of April 20, 2005.

We must receive any comments on this AD by June 6, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following addresses to submit comments on this AD:

• By mail: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 2004–NE– 06–AD, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803–5299.

• By fax: (781) 238–7055.

• By e-mail: *9-ane-*

adcomment@faa.gov

You can get the service information referenced in this AD from General Electric Company via Lockheed Martin Technology Services, 10525 Chester Road, Suite C, Cincinnati, Ohio 45215, telephone (513) 672–8400, fax (513) 672–8422.

You may examine the AD docket at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA. You may examine the service information, at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Grant, Aerospace Engineer, Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; telephone (781) 238– 7757; fax (781) 238–7199.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 13, 2004, the FAA issued AD 2004–04–04, Amendment 39–13485 (69 FR 8098, February 23, 2004). That AD requires initial and repetitive reviews of the airplane computer systems for master VG actuator fault messages of certain SN master VG actuators. That AD also requires replacement of actuators reported faulty by the FADEC. The background for that AD is as follows:

In September of 2002, GE, the manufacturer of CF34–8E series turbofan engines, replaced its supplier