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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Forseth, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-113, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057-3356, fax 425-227-1320, telephone 425-227-2796. This notice is published pursuant to 14 CFR 11.85.

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Pamela Hamilton-Powell,
Director, Office of Rulemaking.

Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2008-1283.

Petitioner: Alenia Aeronautica, S.p.A.
Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 26.37 (b).

Description of Relief Sought: Alenia seeks exemption, for airplane model C-27J, from 26.37 (b) to permit relief from the ignition-source-prevention requirements included in § 25.981(a)(d) at Amendment 25-125, and to show compliance with SFAR 88 requirements. Alenia proposes to comply with SFAR 88 within 18 months after type certification (TC) to address the ignition-prevention requirements, with confirmation that the C-27J meets

flammability-reduction requirements at TC date.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2008-48]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before January 8, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2008-1209 using any of the following methods:

- *Government-wide rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
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Petition for Exemption

Docket No.: FAA-2008-1209.

Petitioner: JetCorp Technical Services.
Section of 14 CFR Affected: 14 CFR 25.813(e).

Description of Relief Sought: Relief from 14 CFR 25.81(e) is requested for JetCorp Technical Services modifications to Bombardier Aerospace, Inc., model CL-600-2B19-TC A21EA airplanes. Altered planes are designed for 19 or fewer passengers and are intended to be private, not-for-hire airplanes. The modification is a partition, containing a frangible access door, installed in the passenger-compartment area of the airplane.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Random Drug and Alcohol Testing Percentage Rates of Covered Aviation Employees for the Period of January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The FAA has determined that the minimum random drug and alcohol testing percentage rates for the period January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, will remain at 25 percent of safety-sensitive employees for random drug testing and 10 percent of safety-sensitive employees for random alcohol testing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeff Stookey, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division, Program Administration Branch (AAM-810), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-8442.

Discussion: Pursuant to 14 CFR part 121, appendix I, section V.C, the FAA Administrator's decision on whether to change the minimum annual random drug testing rate is based on the reported random drug test positive rate for the entire aviation industry. If the reported random drug test positive rate is less than 1.00%, the Administrator may continue the minimum random drug testing rate at 25%. In 2007, the random drug test positive rate was 0.60%. Therefore, the minimum random drug testing rate will remain at 25% for calendar year 2009.

Similarly, 14 CFR part 121, appendix J, section III.C, requires the decision on the minimum annual random alcohol testing rate to be based on the random alcohol test violation rate. If the violation rate remains less than 0.50%, the Administrator may continue the minimum random alcohol testing rate at 10%. In 2007, the random alcohol test violation rate was 0.13%. Therefore, the minimum random alcohol testing rate will remain at 10% for calendar year 2009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you have questions about how the annual random testing percentage rates are determined please refer to the Code of Federal Regulations Title 14: part 121, appendix I, section V.C (for drug testing), and appendix J, section III.C (for alcohol testing).

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James R. Fraser,

Deputy Federal Air Surgeon.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being

requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favour of relief.

Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation

[Docket Number FRA-2008-0135]

The Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH) seek a permanent waiver of compliance with the *Locomotive Safety Standards*, 49 CFR 229.123, which requires that each lead locomotive be equipped with an end plate that extends across both rails, a pilot or a snowplow. The petition is being made for PATH's new fleet of passenger MU locomotives designated as PA-5 cars. Prior to receiving this new fleet of cars, PATH had been granted a waiver, Docket Number LI-81-9, from the pilot end plate requirement. PATH operated under this waiver over the past 26 years. PATH operates a closed system with no public highway-rail crossings over 13.8 miles between New York, and New Jersey. PATH states that the addition of a pilot would interfere with space allocated for Communication Based Train Control Equipment to be mounted under the cars.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0135) and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

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Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the

above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,

Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with section 238.21 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance with certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District

[Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2008-0139]

The Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District (NICTD), further identified herein as the railroad, seeks approval for a waiver of compliance with the requirements of the *Passenger Equipment Safety Standards* contained in 49 CFR 238.105(d)(1), train electronic hardware and software safety. Section 49 CFR 238.105(d)(1) states that:

"Hardware and software that controls or monitors a train's primary braking system shall either: (i) Fail safely by initiating a full service brake application in the event of a hardware or software failure that could impair the ability of the engineer to apply or release the brakes; or (ii) Access to direct manual control of the primary braking system (both service and emergency braking) shall be provided to the engineer."