

Federal Regulation (14 CFR) § 91.207 ELT equipage requirement.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 10, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Albert Sayadian, AIR-130, Federal Aviation Administration, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, Suite 4102 Washington, DC 20024. Telephone (202) 385-4652, fax (202) 385-4651, email to: [Albert.Sayadian@faa.gov](mailto:Albert.Sayadian@faa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments Invited

You are invited to comment on the cancellation of the TSO by submitting written data, views, or arguments to the above address. You are requested to use the attached comment sheet to make the comment review process more efficient. Comments received may be examined, both before and after the closing date, in suite 4102 at the above address, weekdays except federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Director, Aircraft Certification Service, will consider all comments received on or before the closing date.

##### Background

On December 23, 1992, the FAA published technical standard order (TSO-C126), *406 MHz Emergency Locator Transmitters (ELT)*, for which numerous TSO authorizations have been approved. On December 17, 2008, the FAA published a revision to the TSO, TSO-C126a. The TSO is a minimum performance standard for ELTs that utilize the 406.0 to 406.1 MHz band. TSO-C126 and TSO-C126a 406 MHz ELTs are monitored by the Cospas-Sarsat system, an international satellite-based search and rescue (SAR) distress alert detection and information distribution system.

On February 1, 2009 Cospas-Sarsat stopped processing signals from 121.5 MHz ELTs. It now only processes signals from 406 MHz ELTs. The decision to discontinue processing of the 121.5 MHz signal was made by the International Cospas-Sarsat program with guidance from the United Nations. This was made due to the problems within the 121.5 MHz frequency band which inundated SAR authorities with poor accuracy and numerous false alerts, thus impacting the effectiveness of lifesaving services. The 406 MHz ELT technology is an advance over the older 121.5 MHz ELT technology.

TSO-C126a incorporates technology that makes the ELT equipment more accurate and reliable than the 121.5 MHz ELT equipment built to the minimum performance standards in TSO-C91a. Examples of these

improvements are: (1) Global satellite coverage; (2) a unique beacon identification which is required to be registered so that if an alert is launched the rescued coordination center can confirm whether the distress is real, who they are looking for, and where the search should begin; (3) 406 MHz ELTs can be received by geostationary satellites which are always visible and provide instantaneous alerting and, (4) increased position accuracy that reduces the search area to less than two nautical miles in radius. Additionally, 406 MHz ELTs which have a GPS position input can potentially reduce the search area to within 100 yards of the accident site.

The performance and benefits of TSO-C126a equipment surpasses TSO-C91a equipment. The 406 MHz technology is mature and prevalent in the ELT market today. The FAA feels new TSO authorizations for ELTs should be accomplished to TSO-C126a, or subsequent, and it is appropriate to cancel TSO-C91a.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Notice of Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Approvals and Disapprovals

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Monthly Notice of PFC Approvals and Disapprovals. In December 2011, there were two applications approved. This notice also includes information on two other applications, one approved in September 2011 and one approved in November 2011, inadvertently left off the September 2011 and November 2011 notices, respectively. Additionally, nine approved amendments to previously approved applications are listed.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA publishes a monthly notice, as appropriate, of PFC approvals and disapprovals under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158). This notice is published pursuant to paragraph d of § 158.29.

#### PFC Applications Approved

*Public Agency:* County of Onslow, Jacksonville, North Carolina.

*Application Number:* 11-08-C-00-0AJ.

*Application Type:* Impose and use a PFC.

*PFC Level:* \$4.50.

*Total PFC Revenue Approved in This Decision:* \$10,066,502.

*Earliest Charge Effective Date:*

November 1, 2011.

*Estimated Charge Expiration Date:* April 1, 2029.

*Class of Air Carriers Not Required To Collect PEG's:* Air taxi commercial operators filing FAA Form 1800-31.

*Determination:* Approved. Based on information contained in the public agency's application, the FAA has determined that the approved class accounts for less than 1 percent of the total annual enplanements at Albert J. Ellis Airport.

#### *Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection and Use:*

Terminal development—design and construction.  
Site utilities—design and construction.  
Stormwater facilities—design and construction.  
Airside/apron—design and construction.  
Landside/roadway—design and construction.  
General aviation terminal/apron—design and construction.  
Airport beacon relocation—design and construction.  
Air traffic control tower site study.  
Security/wildlife fencing—design and construction.  
Airfield drainage improvements—design and construction.  
Emergency access road improvements—design and construction.  
PFC application development.  
PFC program administration.  
*Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection:*  
Land acquisition.  
Air traffic control tower design.  
Air traffic control tower construction.

#### *Brief Description of Disapproved Project:*

Maintenance equipment building—design.

*Determination:* Disapproved. The FAA determined that this project does not meet the requirements of § 158.15(b). It is not eligible in accordance with paragraph 501 of FAA Order 5100.38C, Airport Improvement Program Handbook, June 28, 2005.

*Decision Date:* September 8, 2011.

*For Further Information Contact:* John Marshall, Atlanta Airports District Office, (404) 305-7153.

*Public Agency:* Cities of Fort Collins and Loveland, Loveland, Colorado.

*Application Number:* 11-07-C-00-FNL.  
*Application Type:* Impose and use a PFC.  
*PFC Level:* \$4.50.  
*Total PFC Revenue Approved in This Decision:* \$403,699.  
*Earliest Charge Effective Date:* February 1, 2012.  
*Estimated Charge Expiration Date:* March 1, 2015.  
*Classes of Air Carriers Not Required To Collect PFC's:* None.  
*Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection and Use:*  
 Terminal modular building utility upgrades.  
 Terminal modular building electrical upgrades.  
 Purchase and install terminal modular #2.  
 Survey, geotechnical and design of general aviation ramp rehabilitation.  
 Airport geographic information system plan and submission.  
 Complete T-Hangar pavement rehabilitation—taxi lanes 1 and 3 (east).  
 Perimeter security fencing.  
 General aviation ramp rehabilitation.  
 Purchase snow removal equipment.  
 Acquire aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle.  
 Construct commercial apron expansion.  
 Airport terminal expansion concept design.  
 Airport terminal expansion site work.  
 Airport terminal expansion (phase 1).  
 Construct taxiway F.  
*Decision Date:* November 28, 2011.  
*For Further Information Contact:* Jesse Lyman, Denver Airports District Office, (303) 342-1262.

*Public Agency:* Cedar City Corporation, Cedar City, Utah.  
*Application Number:* 12-02-C-00-CDC.  
*Application Type:* Impose and use a PFC.  
*PFC Level:* \$4.50.  
*Total PFC Revenue Approved in This Decision:* \$170,000.  
*Earliest Charge Effective Date:* February 1, 2012.  
*Estimated Charge Expiration Date:* March 1, 2016.  
*Class of Air Carriers Not Required to Collect PFC'S:* Non-scheduled/on demand air carriers filing FAA Form 1800-31.  
*Determination:* Approved. Based on information contained in the public agency's application, the FAA has determined that the approved class accounts for less than 1 percent of the total annual enplanements at Cedar City Regional Airport.  
*Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection and Use:*  
 Construct corporate apron.  
 Construct taxiway Delta (widening).  
 Rehabilitate helipad.  
 Construct snow removal building.  
*Brief Description of Withdrawn Project:* Rehabilitate runway 8/26.  
*Date of Withdrawal:* December 14, 2011.  
*Decision Date:* December 16, 2011.  
*For Further Information Contact:* Jesse Lyman, Denver Airports District Office, (303) 342-1262.  
*Public Agency:* Mason City Airport Commission, Mason City, Iowa.  
*Application Number:* 12-03-C-00-MCW.  
*Application Type:* Impose and use a PFC.

*PFC Level:* \$4.50.  
*Total PFC Revenue Approved in This Decision:* \$705,756.  
*Earliest Charge Effective Date:* April 1, 2014.  
*Estimated Charge Expiration Date:* February 1, 2020.  
*Classes of Air Carriers Not Required To Collect PFC's:* (1) Air taxi/commercial operators; and (2) commuter or small-certificated air carriers filing Department of Transportation Form T-100.  
*Determination:* Approved. Based on information contained in the public agency's application, the FAA has determined that each approved class accounts for less than 1 percent of the total annual enplanements at Mason City Municipal Airport.  
*Brief Description of Projects Approved for Collection and Use:*  
 Aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle.  
 Taxi lane extension.  
 Security checkpoint.  
 Runway 18/36 rehabilitation and localizer relocation.  
 Runway 12/30 rehabilitation phase 1 and runway protection zone land.  
 Runway 12/30 rehabilitation phase 2.  
 Taxiway Alpha rehabilitation.  
 Perimeter fence.  
 Rehabilitate taxiway BC.  
 Friction meter.  
 PFC administration.  
*Decision Date:* December 19, 2011.  
*For Further Information Contact:* Mark Schenkelberg, Central Region Airports Division, (816) 329-2645.

## AMENDMENTS TO PFC APPROVALS

Amendment No., city, state	Amendment approved date	Original approved net PFC revenue	Amended approved net PFC revenue	Original estimated charge exp. date	Amended estimated charge exp. date
10-04-C-01-BTV Burlington, VT .....	11/23/11	\$17,298,103	\$17,467,574	03/01/14	04/01/14
03-03-1-02-GLH Greenville, MS .....	11/29/11	88,495	21,327	12/01/05	12/01/05
05-04-C-02-GLH Greenville, MS .....	11/29/11	135,614	135,614	08/01/08	08/01/08
05-04-C-03-GLH Greenville, MS .....	11/29/11	135,614	124,964	08/01/08	08/01/08
08-05-C-01-GLH Greenville, MS .....	11/29/11	39,427	37,468	08/01/11	08/01/11
01-03-C-02-LWS Lewiston, ID .....	12/05/11	1,300,088	1,678,251	02/01/12	12/01/12
91-01-C-03-SAV Savannah, GA .....	12/07/11	49,908,639	48,179,908	12/01/10	02/01/10
00-03-C-02-OKC Oklahoma City, OK .....	12/14/11	116,951,506	115,050,416	08/01/20	05/01/20
10-02-C-01-PHF Newport News, VA .....	12/21/11	18,910,908	15,866,709	03/01/20	03/01/17

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**Joe Hebert,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2011-40]

#### 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.

**DATE:** Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before January 31, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2011-0940 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.
- *Mail:* Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

- *Fax:* Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at (202) 493-2251.

- *Hand Delivery:* Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

*Privacy:* We will post all comments we receive, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information you provide. Using the search function of our docket web site, anyone can find and read the comments received into any of our dockets, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or

signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, *etc.*). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78).

*Docket:* To read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Frances Shaver, ARM-207, (202) 267-4059, Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Rulemaking, 800 Independence Ave SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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-2011-0940.

*Petitioner:* Parachute Labs, Inc. dba Jump Shack.

*Section of 14 CFR Affected:* § 105.45(b)(3).

*Description of Relief Sought:* Parachute Labs has requested relief to allow it the ability to manufacture tandem parachute systems without giving approval for automatic activation devices (AAD). Parachute Labs provides accommodations for them, but they do not approve nor disapprove of the installation of AADs.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Notice of Final Federal Agency Action on Proposed Bridge Replacement in Massachusetts

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of Limitations on Claims for Judicial Review of Action by FHWA.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces action taken by the FHWA that is final within the meaning of 23 U.S.C. 39(l)(1). The action relates to the proposed Fore River Bridge (State Route 3A over the Weymouth Fore River) replacement project in Quincy and Weymouth, Massachusetts. The action grants an approval for the project.

**DATES:** By this notice, the FHWA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of the Federal agency action on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before July 9, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For FHWA: Damaris Santiago, Environmental Engineer, FHWA Massachusetts Division Office, 55 Broadway, 10th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02142, (617) 494-2419, [dsantiago@dot.gov](mailto:dsantiago@dot.gov). For Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division: Michael Furlong, Project Manager, MassDOT Highway Division, 10 Park Plaza, Room 4260, Boston, MA 02116, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., (617) 973-8067, [Michael.Furlong@state.ma.us](mailto:Michael.Furlong@state.ma.us).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the FHWA has taken final agency action subject to 23 U.S.C. Sec. 139(l)(1) by issuing approval for the following bridge project in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The project proposes to replace the existing temporary bridge over the Weymouth Fore River in Quincy and Weymouth, Massachusetts that replaced a 1936 bascule bridge that was demolished in 2004. The proposed replacement Fore River Bridge will be a vertical lift movable bridge over a 225-foot navigable opening on the same alignment of the 1936 bridge. The replacement bridge will retain the same roadway capacity of two-lanes in each direction and include shoulders and sidewalks. The action by the Federal agency, and the law under which the action was taken, are described in the Environmental Assessment (EA), for which a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was issued on December 19, 2011 and other documents in the FHWA project records. The EA, FONSI and other project records are available by contacting FHWA or MassDOT at the addresses above. The FHWA EA and FONSI can be viewed and downloaded from the project Web site at <http://www.massdotprojectsforeriverbridgeinfo/> or viewed at public libraries in the project area.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

**Authority:** 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1).