Novel or Unusual Design Features

The Model G250 airplane will incorporate the following novel or unusual design features:

The Model G250 airplane is equipped with an electronic flight control system that provides control through the pilot inputs to the flight computer. This novel design feature is not covered in the current roll-maneuver airworthiness regulations of § 25.349(a). The current regulations do not address any nonlinearities or other effects upon roll control that may be caused by electronic flight controls. Therefore, special conditions are necessary to establish appropriate design standards for the GALP Model G250 airplane type design.

Discussion

The GALP Model G250 airplane is equipped with an electronic spoiler-control system and a mechanical aileron-control system that provide roll control of the aircraft through pilot inputs. An electronic control unit operates the roll spoilers to assist the ailerons in roll control of the aircraft. Current part 25 airworthiness regulations account for control laws for which lateral control-surface deflection is proportional to control-stick deflection. They do not address any nonlinearities or other effects on roll-control-surface actuation that may be caused by electronic flight controls. Since this type of system may affect flight loads, and therefore the structural capability of the airplane, specific regulations are needed to address these effects.

These special conditions differ from current requirements in that they require roll maneuvers to result from defined movements of the cockpit roll control, as opposed to defined aileron deflections. These special conditions require an additional load condition at design maneuvering speed $V_{C}$, in which the cockpit roll control is returned to neutral following the initial roll input.

These special conditions are limited to the roll axis only. Special conditions are no longer needed for the yaw axis because § 25.351 was revised at Amendment 25–91 to take into account the effects of an electronic flight control system for this control axis.

Applicability

As discussed above, these special conditions are applicable to the GALP Model G250 airplane. Should GALP apply at a later date for a change to the type certificate to include another model incorporating the same novel or unusual design feature, the special conditions would apply to that model as well.

Conclusion

This action affects only certain novel or unusual design features on the GALP Model G250 airplane. It is not a rule of general applicability and it affects only the applicant who applied to the FAA for approval of these features on the airplane.

The FAA has determined that prior public notice and comment are unnecessary and impracticable, and good cause exists for adopting these special conditions upon issuance.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 25

Aircraft, Aviation safety, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

The authority citation for these special conditions is as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701, 44702, 44704.

The Special Conditions

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the following special conditions are issued as part of the type-certification basis for GALP Model G250 airplane.

The following conditions, speeds, and cockpit roll-control motions (except as the motions may be limited by pilot effort) must be considered in combination with an airplane load factor of zero, and of two-thirds of the positive maneuvering factor used in the design. In determining the resulting control-surface deflections, the torsional flexibility of the wing must be considered in accordance with § 25.301(b):

In lieu of compliance with § 25.349(a):

1. Conditions corresponding to steady rolling velocities must be investigated. In addition, conditions corresponding to maximum angular acceleration must be investigated for airplanes with engines or other weight concentrations outboard of the fuselage. For the angular acceleration conditions, zero rolling velocity may be assumed in the absence of a rational time-history investigation of the maneuver.

2. At $V_{A}$, sudden movement of the cockpit roll control up to the limit is assumed. The position of the cockpit roll control must be maintained until a steady roll rate is achieved and then must be returned suddenly to the neutral position.

3. At design cruising speed $V_{c}$, the cockpit roll control must be moved suddenly and maintained so as to achieve a roll rate not less than that obtained in Special Condition 2, above.

4. At design diving speed $V_{D}$, the cockpit roll control must be moved suddenly and maintained so as to achieve a roll rate not less than one third of that obtained in Special Condition 2, above.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on July 1, 2011.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

15 CFR Parts 738 and 740

[Docket No. 110525299–1322–01]

RIN 0994–AF27

Addition of the New State of the Republic of South Sudan to the Export Administration Regulations

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: In this final rule, the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) amends the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) to add controls on exports and reexports of U.S.-origin dual-use items to a new nation, the Republic of South Sudan. In January 2011, a referendum was held in the region of Southern Sudan to determine whether that region would remain part of Sudan or become a separate, independent nation. On February 7, 2011, the referendum commission announced that the region of Southern Sudan had voted to become a separate nation, effective July 9, 2011. On February 7, 2011, recognizing this historic milestone in the implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA), President Obama announced the intention of the United States to formally recognize the Republic of South Sudan as a sovereign state in July, 2011. BIS is therefore amending the EAR to reflect the July 9, 2011 formal
recognition by adding the new nation, the Republic of South Sudan, to the Commerce Country Chart and including it in Country Group B, which will render the destination eligible for certain export and reexport License Exceptions. The controls that continue to apply to “Sudan” under the EAR will not apply to the Republic of South Sudan.

DATES: This rule is effective July 9, 2011.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Transition to the New and Independent State of the Republic of South Sudan

The Republic of the Sudan (“Sudan”), referred to as “Sudan” in the EAR, was designated by the Secretary of State as a state sponsor of terrorism under U.S. law on August 12, 1993 (58 FR 52523, Oct. 8, 1993). On November 3, 1997, the President issued Executive Order (E.O.) 13067 (Blocking Sudanese Government Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Sudan), imposing comprehensive economic sanctions against Sudan because of the policies and actions of the Government of Sudan, including its continued support for international terrorism.

Consistent with the state sponsor of terrorism designation, the Department of Commerce imposed anti-terrorism controls on Sudan under the authority of Section 6 of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (EAA). Specifically, Section 742.10 of the EAR restricts the export or reexport to Sudan of most items subject to the EAR that are listed on the Commerce Control List (CCL).

On January 9, 2005, the Government of the Republic of the Sudan and the Sudan People’s Liberation Movement signed the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) ending the 22-year civil war, and in October, 2006, pursuant to E.O. 13412 the regional government of Southern Sudan was excluded from the definition of the “Government of Sudan” set forth in E.O. 13067, consistent with Sec. 8(e) of the Darfur Peace and Accountability Act of 2006.

Pursuant to the constitution developed under the CPA, in January 2011, a referendum was held in the region of Southern Sudan to determine whether that region would remain part of Sudan or become a separate, independent nation. On February 7, 2011, the referendum commission announced that the region of Southern Sudan had voted to become a separate nation, effective July 9, 2011.

Recognizing this historic milestone in the implementation of the CPA, on February 7, 2011, President Obama announced the intention of the United States to formally recognize the Republic of South Sudan as a sovereign state. BIS is therefore amending the EAR to reflect this formal recognition as of July 9, 2011, by adding the new nation of the Republic of South Sudan to the Commerce Country Chart and including the new nation as part of Country Group B, which will render the destination eligible for certain export and reexport License Exceptions. The controls that continue to apply to “Sudan” under the EAR will not apply to the Republic of South Sudan. Through this amendment, BIS imposes appropriate export control requirements for U.S.-origin dual-use exports and reexports to the new nation.

Amendments to the EAR To Add the Republic of South Sudan

This rule adds the Republic of South Sudan to the Commerce Country Chart in Supplement No. 1 to Part 738 of the EAR and adds appropriate “X” symbols denoting license requirements implementing these controls for the new country. It also adds the new country to Country Group B in Supplement No. 1 to Part 740 of the EAR. Country Group B includes a wide range of countries raising relatively few national security concerns. Countries in Country Group B are eligible for several License Exceptions not available for exports or reexports to countries in Country Groups D or E. The EAR will now list two countries with “Sudan” in their names: the Republic of the Sudan, referred to as “Sudan” in the EAR, the capital city of which is Juba, and the Republic of South Sudan, the capital of which is expected to be Juba. With the publication of this rule, BIS will require a license for the export or reexport to the Republic of South Sudan of items controlled unilaterally for regional stability and crime control reasons, and items controlled by the multilateral export control regimes (Australia Group, Wassenaar Arrangement, Chemical/Biological Weapons Conventions, Nuclear Suppliers Group, Missile Technology Control Regime). Other reasons for control under the EAR also may apply.

This rule does not change the existing license requirements or licensing policy for exports and reexports of items to any other country under the EAR.

Since August 21, 2001, the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, has been in lapse and the President, through Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001 (3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 783 (2002)), as extended most recently by the Notice of August 16, 2010 (75 FR 50568, August 16, 2010), has continued the EAR in effect under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act. BIS continues to carry out the provisions of the Act, as appropriate and to the extent permitted by law, pursuant to Executive Order 13222.

Rulemaking Requirements

1. Executive Orders 13563 and 12866 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity), Executive Order 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This rule has been designated a “significant regulatory action” although not economically significant, under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866.

Accordingly, the rule has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

2. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person is required to respond to nor be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information, subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) (PRA), unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. This rule involves a collection of information subject to the PRA. This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 0694–0088, “Multi-Purpose Application,” which carries a burden hour estimate of 58 minutes to prepare and submit form BIS–748. Total burden hours associated with the PRA and OMB control number 0694–0088 are not expected to increase as a result of this rule.

3. This rule does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined under Executive Order 13132.

4. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1), the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act requiring notice of
propose rulemaking, the opportunity for public participation, and a delay in effective date, are inapplicable because this regulation involves a military or foreign affairs function of the United States. (See 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1)). This final rule implements the United States new policy to recognize the new and independent state of the Republic of South Sudan as announced by the President. No other law requires that a notice of proposed rulemaking and an opportunity for public comment be given for this rule. Because a notice of proposed rulemaking and an opportunity for public comment are not required to be given for this rule by 5 U.S.C. 553, or by any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 et seq., are not applicable. Therefore, this regulation is issued in final form. In addition, the Department finds good cause under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) to waive the 30-day delay in effectiveness for the reasons provided above. Accordingly, this regulation is made effective immediately upon publication.

List of Subjects

15 CFR Part 738

Exports.

15 CFR Part 740

Administrative practice and procedure, Exports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, parts 738 and 740 of the EAR (15 CFR parts 730–774) are amended as follows:

PART 738—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 738 continues to read as follows:


Supplement No. 1 to Part 738—[Amended]

2. Supplement No. 1 to part 738—Commerce Country Chart—is amended

a. By adding in alphabetical order the “Country” “South Sudan, Republic of”;

b. By adding for “South Sudan, Republic of” an “X” in columns “CB1”, “CB2”, “NP1”, “NS1”, “NS2”, “MT1”, “RS1”, “RS2”, “CC1” and “CC3”.

PART 740—[AMENDED]

3. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 740 continues to read as follows:


4. Supplement No. 1 to Part 740—Country Group—is amended by adding in alphabetical order “South Sudan, Republic of” to “Country Group B”.

Dated: July 6, 2011.

Kevin J. Wolf,
Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

17 CFR Part 1

RIN 3038–AD23

Agricultural Commodity Definition

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“Commission” or “CFTC”) is charged with proposing rules to implement new statutory provisions enacted by Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (“Dodd-Frank Act”), the Dodd-Frank Act, which amends the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA” or “Act”), includes provisions applicable to “a swap in an agricultural commodity (as defined by the [CFTC]).” Neither Congress nor the CFTC has previously defined “agricultural commodity” for purposes of the CEA or CFTC regulations. On October 26, 2010, the Commission issued a notice of proposed rulemaking requesting comment on a proposed definition of agricultural commodity (the “NPRM”). After reviewing the comments submitted in response to the proposed definition, the Commission has determined to issue this final definition in essentially the same form as originally proposed, subject to a minor revision to the commodity-based index provision, for purposes of the CEA and Commission regulations.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Part I—Background

On July 21, 2010, President Obama signed the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Title VII of the Dodd-Frank Act amended the CEA to establish a comprehensive new regulatory framework for swaps and security-based swaps. The legislation was enacted to reduce risk, increase transparency, and promote market integrity within the financial system by, among other things: (1) Providing for the registration and comprehensive regulation of swap dealers and major swap participants; (2) imposing clearing and trade execution requirements on standardized derivative products; (3) creating robust recordkeeping and real-time reporting regimes; and (4) enhancing the Commission’s rulemaking and enforcement authorities with respect to, among others, all registered entities and intermediaries subject to the Commission’s oversight.

The Dodd-Frank Act includes provisions applicable to “a swap in an agricultural commodity (as defined by the [CFTC]).” Neither Congress nor the CFTC has previously defined “agricultural commodity” for purposes of the CEA or CFTC regulations. On October 26, 2010, the Commission issued a notice of proposed rulemaking requesting comment on a proposed definition of agricultural commodity (the “NPRM”). After reviewing the comments submitted in response to the proposed definition, the Commission has determined to issue this final definition in essentially the same form as originally proposed, subject to a minor revision to the commodity-based index provision, for purposes of the CEA and Commission regulations.

2 Pursuant to section 701 of the Dodd-Frank Act, Title VII may be cited as the “Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010.”
3 7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.