PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION

Please read the instructions before completing the form. For additional forms or assistance in completing this form, contact your agency's Paperwork Clearance Officer. Send two copies of this form, the collection instrument to be reviewed, the Supporting Statement, and any additional documentation to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC Agency/Subagency originating request **OMB Control Number** DOT/FAA/Flight Standards Service a. 2120-0665 Type of information collection (check one) Type of review requested (check one) a. New collection Regular b. Revision of a currently approved collection Emergency - Approval requested by: c. Extension of a currently approved collection Delegated d. Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired Small entities Will this information collection have a significant economic impact on a Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection substantial number of small entities? for which approval has expired Existing collection in use without an OMB control number 6. Requested expiration date Three years from approval date b. Other Specify: For b-f, note Item A2 of Supporting Statement instructions 7. Title Safe Disposition of Life-Limited Aircraft Parts Agency form number(s) (if applicable) N/A Keywords Aircraft, Aviation safety, Life-limited parts, Marking and symbols 10. Abstract This action responds to the Wendall H. Ford Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century by requiring that all persons who remove any life-limited aircraft part have a method to prevent the installation of that part after it has reached its life limit. This action reduces the risk of life-limited parts being used beyond their life limits. This action would also require that manufacturers of life-limited parts provide marking instructions, when requested. 11. Affected public (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply with 12. Obligation to respond (Mark primary with "P" and all others that apply a. X Individuals or households a. ___ Voluntary d. ___ Farms e. X Federal Government b. ___ Required to obtain or retain benefits b. P Business or other-for-profit c. ___ Not-for-profit institutions f. X State, Local, or Tribal Government c. P Mandatory 13. Annual Recordkeeping and reporting burden 14. Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars) Number of respondents Total annualized capital startup costs a. 100,000 b. Total annual cost (O&M) Total annual responses \$0 Percentage of these responses <u>_70</u>% collected electronically 104,000 Total annualized cost requested Total annual hours requested c. d. Current OMB inventory 52.000 d. Current OMB inventory \$0 Difference (+/-) 52,000 Difference e. Explanation of difference Explanation of difference 1. Program change (+/-) Program change 52.000 Adjustment (+/-) Adjustment 15. Purpose of information collection (Mark primary with "P" and all others Frequency of recordkeeping or reporting (check all that apply) 16. that apply with "X") \boxtimes Recordkeeping a. a. ___ Application of benefits e. X Program planning or management b. \bowtie Third party disclosures b. ____ Program evaluation f. $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ Research Reporting c. c. ___ General purpose statistics g. _P_ Regulatory compliance On occasion 2. Weekly 3. Monthly d. X Audit 5. Semi-annually 6. Annually Quarterly Biennially 8. Other (describe) 18. Agency contact (person who can best answer questions regarding the 17. Statistical methods Does this information collection employ statistical methods? content of this submission Yes No Name: Albert C. Michaels (202) 267-7501

19. Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions

On behalf of this Federal agency, I certify that the collection of information encompassed by this request complies with 5 CFR 1320.9.

NOTE: The text of 5 CFR 1320.9, and the related provisions of 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3), appear at the end of the instructions. The certification is to be made with reference to those regulatory provisions as set forth in the instructions.

The following is a summary of the topics, regarding the proposed collection of information, that the certification covers:

- (a) It is necessary for the proper performance of agency functions;
- (b) It avoids unnecessary duplication;
- (c) It reduces burden on small entities;
- (d) It uses plain, coherent, and unambiguous terminology that is understandable to respondents;
- (e) Its implementation will be consistent and compatible with current reporting and recordkeeping practices;
- (f) It indicates the retention periods for recordkeeping requirements;
- (g) It informs respondents of the information called for under 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3):
 - (i) Why the information is being collected;
 - (ii) Use of information:
 - (iii) Burden estimate;
 - (iv) Nature of response (voluntary, required for a benefit, or mandatory;
 - (v) Nature and extent of confidentiality; and
 - (vi) Need to display currently valid OMB control number:
- (h) It was developed by an office that has planned an allocated resources for the efficient and effective management and use of the information to be collected (see note in Item 19 of the instructions);
 - (i) It uses effective and efficient statistical survey methodology; and
 - (j) It makes appropriate use of information technology.

If you are unable to certify compliance with any of these provisions, identify the item below and explain the reason in Item 18 of the Supporting Statement.

Signature of Senior Official or Designee	Date
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INFORMATION COLLECTION SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Safe Disposition of Life-Limited Aircraft Parts

1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary. Identify any legal or administrative requirements that necessitate the collection. Attach a copy of the appropriate section of each statue and regulation mandating or authorizing the collection of information. (Annotate the CFR parts/sections affected).

14 CFR Parts 43 and 45.

The FAA has found life-limited parts that exceeded their operating limitations installed on aircraft through accident investigations, Suspected Unapproved Parts reports and routine surveillance activities. This new regulation ensures positive control and safe disposition of all life-limited parts until they are mutilated or destroyed after they have reached their mandatory operating life limits by preventing them from being accidentally installed. This regulation requires that records be maintained showing the current status of the part regardless of time remaining if any. This collection of information supports the Department of Transportation's strategic goal on safety.

49 U.S.C. Section 40113(a) empowers the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to issue such regulations as he/she shall deem necessary to carry out the provisions of the Act.

2. Indicate how, by whom, and for what purpose the information is to be used. Except for a new collection, indicate the actual use the agency has made of the information received from the current collection.

This new rule now requires a record keeping system to be maintained that will aid aircraft operators in determining the status of the life-limited parts from inadvertently being installed that have reached their life limit.

3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden.

This rule permits the use of electronic record keeping for tracking of documents. In compliance with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA), 100% electronic record keeping is available and is presently being utilized by most aircraft operators and repair facilities.

4. Describe efforts to identify duplication. Show specifically why any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purpose(s) described in Item 2 above.

This information collection is not a duplication of other reporting. No other Federal Agency requires this record keeping procedure.

5. If the collection of information has a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses or other small entities (Item 5 of the Paperwork Reduction Act submission form), describe the methods used to minimize burden.

This has had a minimal impact on small entities. This minimal impact is due to the fact that most operators had an acceptable record keeping system in place that met the requirements of the new rule for keeping records of time remaining on life-limited parts. The additional part marking requirement when used has had only a minimal impact of small businesses.

6. Describe the consequence to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently, as well as any technical or legal obstacles to reducing burden.

The regulation requires that the current status of life-limited parts be maintained to prevent installation after reaching or exceeding their authorized life limit. The additional requirement for proper disposition of parts when their life limit is reached has not imposed an additional burden on small businesses or other entities.

7. Explain any special circumstances that require the collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the general information collection guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

There are no special circumstances to require this data to be collected in manner inconsistent with 5 CFR 1320.5 (d) (2).

8. Describe efforts to consult persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d) soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.

A notice was requesting public comment was published in the Federal Register on August 11, 2006, vol. 71, no. 155, page 46253. No comments were received. A copy is attached for your convenience.

9. Explain any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.

We do not provide any payments or gifts.

10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for the assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.

No assurance of confidentiality is necessary.

11. Provide additional justification for any questions of sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

There are no sensitive questions in this collection of information.

12. Provide estimates of hour burden of the collection of information.

These amendments impose the following burdens:

Estimated annual burden for marking and tagging:

a. Number of respondents: 8,000 air carriers, repair stations, mechanics

b. Estimated annual items to be marked or tagged 100,000

Percentage of these respondents

collected electronically (marking burden) 70%
Total annual hours requested 104,000

At a fully burdened industry overhead rate of \$50.00 The annual cost to the respondents is \$32,600,000

13. Provide an estimate of the total annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information.

There are no additional costs not already included in question 12. The additional cost increase is due to more operators and aircraft since the effective date of the rule.

14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal Government. Also, provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, and other expenses that would not have been incurred without this collection of information.

There is no annual cost to the Federal Government to analyze and process the information. The parts marking burden requirement is for industry operators.

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in Items 13 or 14 of the OMB Form 83-I.

The changes to Item 13 are due to an increase in operators, number of aircraft and a larger number of life-limited parts being used in newer types of aircraft and engines.

16. For collections of information whose results will be published, outline plans for tabulation and publication. Address any complex analytical techniques that will be used. Provide the time schedule for the entire project, including beginning and ending dates of the collection of information, completion of report, publication dates, and other actions.

No collections of information results are to be published.

17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons that display would be inappropriate.

No request for seeking approval not to display expiration date for OMB.

18. Explain each exception to the certification statement identified in Item 19, "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions," of OMB Form 83-I.

No exceptions to Item 19.

Attachments:

- 1. Supporting Statement
- 2. 30 Day Notice
- 3. 60 Day Notice
- 4. 49 USC 40113
- 5. 14 CFR Part 43
- 6. 14 CFR Part 45