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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

12 CFR Chapter I

[Docket ID FFIEC-2014-0001]

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

12 CFR Chapter II

[Docket No. R-1510]

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

12 CFR Chapter III

Regulatory Publication and Review Under the Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996

Correction

In proposed rule document 2015–32312 beginning on page 79724 in the issue of Wednesday, December 23, 2015 make the following corrections:

1. On page 79728 the table heading "Chart A— Categories and Regulations Addressed in this Fourth **Federal Register** Notice" was omitted.

2. On page 79731, the table heading "Chart B—Newly Listed Rules" preceding the text "1. Applications and Reporting" was omitted.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Parts 36 and 91

[Docket No.: FAA-2015-3782; Notice No. 15-08]

RIN 2120-AK52

Stage 5 Airplane Noise Standards

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action would establish a new noise standard for certain subsonic jet airplanes and subsonic transport category large airplanes. This noise standard, known as Stage 5, would apply to any person submitting an application for a new airplane type design with a maximum certificated takeoff weight of 121,254 pounds (55,000 kg) or more on or after December 31, 2017; or with maximum certificated takeoff weight of less than 121,254 pounds (55,000 kg) on or after December 31, 2020. This change would reduce the noise produced by new airplanes and harmonize the noise certification standards for those airplanes certificated in the United States with the new International Civil Aviation Organization noise standard in Annex 16, Chapter 14, effective July 14, 2014.

DATES: Send comments on or before April 13, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA–2015–3782 using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- *Mail:* Send comments to Docket Operations, M–30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W12–140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations 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.
- *Fax:* Fax comments to Docket Operations at 202–493–2251.

Privacy: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at www.dot.gov/privacy.

Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at http://www.regulations.gov at any time.

Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations 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: For technical questions concerning this action, contact Mehmet Marsan, Office of Environment and Energy (AEE-100), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267–7703; facsimile (202) 267–5594; email mehmet.marsan@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for This Rulemaking

The FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44715, Controlling aircraft noise and sonic boom. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to measure and abate aircraft noise. This regulation is within the scope of that authority since it would establish stricter noise limits for certain newly certificated airplanes. Applicants for type certificates and changes in type design made after the dates proposed in this rulemaking would be required to comply with the new regulation when adopted.

I. Executive Summary

A. Summary of the Proposed Rule

The FAA is proposing to amend Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) parts 36 and 91 to add a new noise standard to be known as Stage 5. This noise standard would apply to any person submitting an application for a new airplane that has a maximum certificated takeoff weight of 121,254 pounds (55,000 kg) or more on or after December 31, 2017; or that has a maximum certificated takeoff weight of less than 121,254 pounds (55,000 kg) on or after December 31, 2020. A certification applicant could choose to use this standard on a voluntary basis after the rule is effective but before the new limits are required.