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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

11 CFR Part 104

[Notice 2006–11]

Statement of Policy; Recordkeeping Requirements for Payroll Deduction Authorizations

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Statement of policy.

SUMMARY: The Commission has previously sought copies of original signed payroll deduction authorization forms as the sole adequate proof that contributors intended to authorize payroll deduction to make contributions to the separate segregated fund of a corporation, labor organization, or trade association. As a matter of general policy, the Commission intends to accept certain other forms of documentation as proof of payroll deduction authorization, which are described in the supplementary information below.

DATES: *Effective Date:* July 7, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard T. Ewell, Attorney, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463, (202) 694–1650 or (800) 424–9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Corporations, labor organizations, and trade associations may use a payroll deduction system to collect and forward voluntary contributions from certain persons to their separate segregated funds (“SSFs”), which are political committees they establish. 11 CFR 114.2(f)(4)(i). Political committees must maintain records that provide sufficient detail to enable the Commission to verify that the source and amount of contributions received by the committee are accurately and completely reported. See 11 CFR 104.14(b)(1); see also 11 CFR 104.8(b) (reporting contributions received through payroll deductions). For contributions collected by payroll

deduction, the Commission’s past practice had been to request copies of original signed payroll deduction authorization (“PDA”) forms as proof that the SSF satisfied the recordkeeping requirements of 11 CFR 104.14(b)(1). Through this statement of policy, the Commission announces that signed PDA forms are not the only adequate form of proof for meeting the recordkeeping requirements of 11 CFR 104.14(b)(1).

As a matter of general policy, the Commission intends to accept other evidence that the requirements of 11 CFR 104.14 have been satisfied, which may include records of the transmittal of funds from employers or collecting agents, including spreadsheets or other computerized records, wire transfer records, or other written or electronic records.

SSFs are advised, however, that the Commission considers the retention of signed PDA forms to be a sound recordkeeping practice, and in many cases, signed PDA forms may serve as the best documentation that a deduction was authorized at a particular time for a particular amount. Additionally, some SSFs are subject to independent PDA recordkeeping requirements under State law. The Commission’s policy does not alter or affect a committee’s recordkeeping obligations under any applicable State law.

This **Federal Register** notice represents a general statement of policy announcing the general course of action that the Commission intends to follow. This policy statement does not constitute an agency regulation requiring notice of proposed rulemaking, opportunities for public participation, prior publication, and delay in effective date under 5 U.S.C. 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act (“APA”). As such, it does not bind the Commission or any member of the general public. The provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, which apply when notice and comment are required by the APA or another statute, are not applicable.

Dated: June 30, 2006.

Michael E. Toner,

Chairman, Federal Election Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 25

[Docket No. NM340; Special Conditions No. 25–318–SC]

Special Conditions: Airbus Model A380–800 Airplane, Design Roll Maneuver

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final special conditions.

SUMMARY: These special conditions are issued for the Airbus A380–800 airplane. This airplane will have novel or unusual design features when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes. Many of these novel or unusual design features are associated with the complex systems and the configuration of the airplane, including its full-length double deck. For these design features, the applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for design roll maneuvers. These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards. Additional special conditions will be issued for other novel or unusual design features of the Airbus Model A380–800 airplane.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The effective date of these special conditions is June 29, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Holly Thorson, FAA, International Branch, ANM–116, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; telephone (425) 227–1357; facsimile (425) 227–1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Airbus applied for FAA certification/validation of the provisionally designated Model A3XX–100 in its letter AI/L 810.0223/98, dated August 12, 1998, to the FAA. Application for certification by the Joint Aviation Authorities (JAA) of Europe had been