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Subject:

Part-M implementation in the field of General Aviation

Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

Amending Regulation (EC) 1056/2008 of 28.10.2008 to Regulation (EC) No 2042/2003 introduced some significant amendments in particular to Annex I (Part-M) thereof, in order to adapt the existing requirements to the complexity of the different categories of aircraft and the types of operations without impairing the level of safety. These amendments provided for some specific alleviations for aircraft not involved in commercial air transport other than large aircraft, commonly known as General Aviation aircraft.

Following the requirements of Article 24.3 of the Basic Regulation (EC) 216/2008 of 20.02.2008, the Agency has decided to perform an assessment of the impact of the implementation of the Part-M requirements in the General Aviation community. As an essential part of this activity the Agency intends to collect feedback from all affected competent authorities and stakeholders and therefore intends to organise a workshop dedicated to the implementation of Part-M requirements in the area of General Aviation. The tentative timeframe for this workshop, which will take place in Cologne, is towards the end of September/beginning of October 2011. The objective of the workshop will be to take stock of specific implementation issues related to Part-M in view of determining the need for further adjustments or amendments to the applicable rules and guidance material.

For proper workshop preparation the Agency seeks to collect feedback on the effectiveness and proportionality of Part-M requirements for General Aviation, ahead of the workshop. You are therefore kindly invited to submit comments in relation to Part-M implementation in the area of General Aviation including, when possible, not only the problem but also the proposed solutions. Some issues where we are particularly interested in receiving feedback are the following:

- 1. Format of the rules
- 2. Generic maintenance programmes and indirect approval procedures
- 3. Approval/acceptance of repairs and modifications
- 4. Acceptance of components from US and Canada
- 5. Scope of work authorised to the Pilot-owner
- 6. Scope of work authorised to independent certifying staff
- 7. Licensing requirements for certifying staff
- 8. Qualification and position (incompatibilities) requirements for airworthiness review staff

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- 9. Performance of the airworthiness review and issuance of ARC/recommendation
- 10. Aircraft Continuing Airworthiness Monitoring (ACAM) programme for general aviation aircraft (only for competent authorities).

Your feedback should be sent by Friday, 16 September 2011 at the latest to the following e-mail address: **Part-M_GA@easa.europa.eu**. To facilitate processing, you are kindly requested to mention in the subject line "WS Part-M General Aviation".

Further information on the workshop and instructions for registration will be made available on the Agency website in the course of the summer.

We are looking forward to receiving your inputs.

Yours faithfully,

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