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Sent: Tuesday, August 28, 2007 8:49 AM
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Subject: Re: FW: Age 60 Rule Update Request

Neil -- Jana asked me to respond to your request for info on the status of the Pilot Age Limit Rule.

As the Administrator announced, we began work on this rule earlier this year. The substance of the NPRM is drafted and we are in the process of completing the economic analysis. When that's complete it will go through FAA executive review. We're working to get it out of FAA by mid-September -- but that's going to be a real push. Then it will go to the Office of the Secretary and then to OMB -- which takes a minimum of 4 months. So we should have the NPRM published by sometime early next year. Following the comment period it will take 12 to 18 months to complete the final rule.

We have denied all requests for exemptions because it's not appropriate to issue exemptions when we're going through general rulemaking. We realize that folks are being impacted by the rule every day -- and we are working to get the rule out as quickly as the process allows. We're also watching the progress of the legislation. If it's enacted, it will certainly change our time line.

Hope this helps.

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Subject

FW: Age 60 Rule Update Request

Peggy,
Could you please provide an update for Neil Mahoney in Cong. Hayes' office

on the Age 60 rule?

From: Mahoney, Neil [mailto:Neil.Mahoney@mail.house.gov]
Sent: Mon 8/27/2007 1:38 PM
To: Weir, Jana <OST>
Subject: Age 60 Rule Update Request

Jana:

Could you please provide me with an update on where the FAA is with the rulemaking process on revising the Age 60 rule? As you know, we are working on a parallel track legislatively but we are interested to know what steps the FAA has taken since the Administrator's January '07 speech announcing her intention to move forward with a change. We understand the FAA's subject to the Administrative Procedures Act but would also hope the FAA would develop a greater sense of urgency to provide our pilots with the same rights as their foreign counterparts.

Any additional information on the FAA's decision not to grant waivers would also be appreciated. These pilots experience brings an added margin of safety that is certainly in the flying public's best interest.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks,

Neil

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