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Dear

## **SINGLE EUROPEAN SKY COMMON REQUIREMENTS - RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

### **Introduction**

This letter provides an update on the requirements that the CAA has identified that the UK ANSPs will need to fulfil to facilitate Certification and Designation under the Common Requirements (CR) legislation. It builds on the material already promulgated to ANSPs in recent weeks as the detailed requirements have become more clear. This letter provides information on the:

- Confirmation of the Extension to the Legislative Deadline for Certification and Designation.
- Deadline for the QMS Requirement.
- Deadline for the Contingency Plan Requirement.
- Criteria for Derogation from the Financial and Economic aspects.
- Submission Dates for both applications and supporting material that have to be achieved in order to enable the CAA, as the UK National Supervisory Authority (NSA), to facilitate Certification and Designation.

### **Confirmation of the Extension to the Legislative Deadline for Certification and Designation**

The UK notified the European Commission on 14 September 2006 that it would utilise the option contained within the CR legislation to extend the time period available to achieve compliance with the CR by six months. This means that the final date by which all ANSPs have to be Certified and Designated is now **June 21<sup>st</sup> 2007**. However, see the Submission Date paragraph overleaf.

### **Deadline for the QMS Requirement**

The date for compliance with the appropriate QMS requirement remains 21 December 2007.

### **Deadline for the Contingency Plan Requirement**

The date for production of compliant contingency plans remains, at the latest, one year after an ANSP has been certified.

## Criteria for Derogation from the Financial and Economic aspects

In the UK, we have adopted the following interpretations of the derogation criteria published in the CR (Arts 4.1 and 4.2) relating to compliance with economic and financial aspects:

- *Any certifiable organisation having fewer than 10,000 commercial air traffic movements per year (on a three year running average), regardless of the size of the aircraft or the number of seats, can apply for derogation.*
- *Any certifiable organisation whose three year running average exceeds 10,000 movements may also apply for derogation so long as all of those movements were either by aircraft having less than 10 tonnes maximum take-off mass or fewer than 20 passenger seats.*

We would encourage any organisation who feels that these interpretations may affect their derogation status and who has not already been contacted to get in touch with the CAA (Dave Miller: [dave.miller@caaerg.org.uk](mailto:dave.miller@caaerg.org.uk)) as soon as possible.

## Submission Dates

Organisations that provided satisfactorily completed applications before the NSA Preferred Date for submission (30 April 2006) and, additionally, provide the notified Economic, Financial and Insurance documentation by 20 October 2006, can expect to be issued with their ANSP Certificate by 21 December 2006. Organisations that did not meet the Preferred Date and those that intend to use the extra time available to achieve compliance, need to submit all the required material no later than 31 March 2007. Any applications or associated material received after 31 March 2007 may result in the CAA being unable to process the application and/or material in sufficient time to facilitate ANSP Certification and Designation by 21 June 2007.

Prospective holders of ANSP Certificates are reminded that after 21 June 2007, Certification and Designation is mandatory under European law. Any ANSP not holding an appropriate certificate by that date will have to cease providing services that fall within the scope of the CRs.

Yours sincerely



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