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Aviation Group Client Update

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PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION ISSUES NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), has issued a NPRM on <u>Hazardous Materials</u>: <u>Notification of the Pilot-in-Command and Response to Air Related Petitions for Rulemaking (RRR)</u>. All comments regarding this NPRM must be received by **February 3, 2017**.

Purpose. This NPRM follows from consultations between the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) to amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) to align with certain provisions of the International Civil Aviation Organization's Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods (ICAO TI). This NPRM also serves as a response to petitions for rulemaking submitted by the regulated community. By amending these regulations, the Department updates miscellaneous regulatory requirements for hazardous materials offered for transportation, or transported, in commerce by aircraft.

Overview of Proposals. Some areas of focus addressed under this NPRM include packaging requirements for certain low and medium danger hazardous materials transported by air, the amount of portable electronic medical devices that can be carried by passengers, crewmembers, and air operators, information provided by operators to flight dispatchers and pilot-in-command, and signed confirmations that no evidence of damaged or leaking packages were loaded on the aircraft, among others.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Shelley Ewalt.

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