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Dear Mr. Ayala:

We are enclosing a grant of your petition submitted on October 14, 2010, requesting extension of Exemption No. 9906A from the requirements of § 23.979(b)(2) of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The exemption extension extends the time limit for Cessna to incorporate into production line requirements of a pressure refueling panel fully compliant with the requirements of § 23.979(b)(2) to May 1, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Peter Rouse at the above address or call him on 816-329-4135.

Sincerely,

Earl Lawrence
Manager, Small Airplane Directorate
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Enclosure



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Exemption No. 9906B
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2009-0444

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Dear Mr. Ayala:

This letter is to inform you that we have granted your petition to extend Exemption No. 9906A. It explains the basis for our decision and describes its effect.

The Basis of Our Decision

By letter dated October 13, 2010, (Ref.: L390-10-3333) you petitioned the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of Cessna Aircraft Company (Cessna) for an extension of Exemption No. 9906A. That exemption from § 23.979(b)(2) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) permits Cessna to receive type certification approval of the Model 525C series airplanes with a non-compliant type design for the pressure refueling panel for a limited time.

In your petition, you indicate that the global economic conditions have significantly impacted the aviation industry business; resulting in Cessna recently reducing its labor force. Therefore, Cessna requests an extension, to May 1, 2011, of the time limit for incorporation into production line requirements of a pressure refueling panel fully compliant with the requirements of § 23.979(b)(2), and until May 1, 2012 for retrofit of all fielded Model 525C series airplanes.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to Cessna.

Our Decision:

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 9906A, remains valid with respect to this exemption and is in the public interest.

Therefore, under the authority provided by 49 U.S.C. 40113 and 44701, which the FAA Administrator has delegated to me, I grant your petition.

The Effect of Our Decision

Our decision extends the termination date of Exemption No. 9906A to May 1, 2011, unless superseded or rescinded. For the Model 525C airplanes, the exemption as extended is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

1. Cessna Aircraft Company must certify and incorporate into the production line requirements a pressure refueling panel, fully compliant with the requirements of § 23.979(b)(2), into the Model 525C airplanes no later than May 1, 2011.
2. Cessna Aircraft Company must retrofit the Model 525C airplanes delivered under the terms of the exemption with the new pressure refueling panel described in Condition 1 above no later than May 1, 2012.
3. Until the incorporation of the changes required in the above Conditions 1 and 2 of this exemption have been completed, Cessna Aircraft Company must display a placard at each of the refueling stations and add to the airplane flight manual (AFM) "Limitations" section for the Model 525C airplanes the limitation prohibiting any kind of vehicle or equipment inside defined areas of fuel vent discharge during airplane refueling operations.
4. For airplanes subject to Condition 2 of this exemption, the operating limitations section of the airplane flight manual (AFM) must include the following statement:

"No person may operate this airplane after May 1, 2012, unless the pressure refueling panel has been modified in accordance with the terms of Exemption No. 9906A."

This statement may be removed from the AFM after the required modification has been made.

All other conditions and limitations of Exemption No. 9906A remain the same. This letter must be attached to, and is a part of, Exemption No. 9906A.

Sincerely,



Earl Lawrence
Manager, Small Airplane Directorate
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