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To: All Regional Flight Standards Division Managers
All Aircraft Evaluation Group Managers

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Reply to: Manager, Technical Programs Branch, AFS-260
Attn of:

MMEL GLOBAL CHANGE
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This Global Change (GC) is an approved addendum to all existing MMEL documents. The operator may seek use of the specific relief contained in this policy letter by revising their Minimum Equipment List (MEL). In doing so, each applicable sample proviso stating the relief in this policy letter, must be copied verbatim into the operator's MEL. Approval of a revised MEL is gained utilizing established procedures, through the Operator's assigned Principal Operations Inspector (POI).

Subject: NAVIGATION DATABASES

MMEL Code: 34 (NAVIGATION)

Reference: New Policy

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy letter is to establish MMEL relief for Navigation Databases as related To Flight Management, or Navigation Management Systems

DISCUSSION:

Recent industry requests have identified a need for standardizing MMEL Relief for Navigation Databases. Relief has been provided in a limited number of MMELs and is not standardized in terms of repair category. A Navigational Database that has expired should not preclude the use of the Flight Management, or Navigation Management System, provided acceptable alternatives are available as sources of navigation information. After a review by the FOPB, a determination was made that the same level of safety intended by the Federal Aviation Regulations could be maintained by these modifications. The FOPB has determined that MMELs should be standardized in accordance with this policy.

POLICY:

The following standard MMEL sub-item and repair category is adopted.

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XX-X Flight Management
System

X)Navigation
Databases

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provided:

a) Current Aeronautical
Charts are used
to verify Navigation
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