European Aviation Safety Agency

DECISION 2013/031/R OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY

of 17 December 2013

adopting Certification Specifications for Airborne Communications Navigation and Surveillance (CS ACNS)

CS-ACNS Initial Issue

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to the Regulation (EC) No $216/2008^1$ (hereinafter referred to as 'the Basic Regulation'), and in particular Articles 18(c), 19(2) and 38(3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012², in particular 21A.16A thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 552/2004 of 10 March 2004 on the interoperability of the European Air Traffic Management network³, in particular Article 6(a) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18(c) of the Basic Regulation, issue Certification Specifications and Acceptable Means of Compliance, as well as Guidance Material for the application of the Basic Regulation and its Implementing Rules.
- (2) The Agency is obliged, pursuant to Article 19(2) of the Basic Regulation, to reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and to update the Certification Specifications and Acceptable Means of Compliance taking into account world-wide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress

Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Council Directive 91/670/EEC, Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 and Directive 2004/36/EC. (OJ L 79, 19.03.2008, p. 1). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No 6/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 34).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012 of 03 August 2012 laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 1702/2003 (OJ L 243, 27.9.2003, p.6-79). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 7/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 36)

Regulation (EC) No 552/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 March 2004 on the interoperability of the European Air Traffic Management network (the interoperability Regulation) (OJ L 96, 31.3.2004, p. 26) as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1070/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 (OJ L300, 14.11.2009, p34).

- (3) The Agency is obliged, pursuant to Article 2(2)(c) of the Basic regulation, to promote cost-efficiency in the regulatory and certification process and to avoid duplication at national and European level.
- (4) The Agency has determined the need to be reflected the safety and interoperability for aircraft communication, navigation and surveillance systems in a new Certification Specifications (CS-ACNS).
- (5) The Agency has, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of the Basic Regulation and Articles 5(3) and 6 of the Rulemaking Procedure⁴, widely consulted interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received⁵.

HAS DECIDED

Article 1

The Certification Specifications for Airborne Communications Navigation and Surveillance (CS-ACNS) are those laid down in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on 1st January 2014.

Done in Cologne,

For the European Aviation Safety Agency The Executive Director

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⁴ EASA MB Decision 01-2012 of 13 March 2012 amending and replacing MB Decision 08-2007 concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure').

⁵ See NPA 2012-19 and NPA 2013-06; Document available on the Agency's website, under the Rulemaking Archives page http://easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/r-archives.php#npa