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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. 2016-95]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Fusion Flight, LLC

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petition for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATE: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 20 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may send comments identified by Docket Number FAA-2016-5847 using any of the following methods:

- Government-wide rulemaking web site: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- Mail: Send comments to the Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

- Fax: Fax comments to the Docket Management Facility at 202-493-2251.
- Hand Delivery: Bring comments to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Docket: To read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thuy H. Cooper, (202) 267-4715. 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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PETITION FOR EXEMPTION

Docket No.: FAA-2016-5847

Petitioner: Fusion Flight, LLC

Sections of 14 CFR Affected: 61.113, 91.151, 91.119, and 91.12

Description of Relief Sought: Fusion Flight requests an exemption to operate an unmanned and autonomous aircraft that ascends, powered by a jet engine, on a ballistic trajectory up to 16.2 km (53,150 ft) AGL and descends, once its fuel is consumed, under parachute. The petitioner's purpose is to investigate the feasibility of constructing a launch vehicle with a jet-engine powered first stage, which if possible, has the potential to greatly reduce the cost of sending payloads into space.

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