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## Memorandum

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Subject: Re-registration Clarification

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The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the "expiration date" for any Certificates of Aircraft Registration issued through the re-registration process. New 14 CFR 47.40, Re-registration and renewal registration, states in part the following:

"(a) Re-registration. Each aircraft registered under this part before October 1, 2010, must be re-registered in accordance with the paragraph.

(a)(3) A Certificate of Aircraft Registration issued under this paragraph expires three years after the last day of the month in which it is issued."

Those owners eligible for re-registration at this time possess registration certificates previously issued in March of any year. Those certificates will expire on March 31, 2011, and after that date would not support operation of an aircraft. An owner who submits his re-registration application at any time prior to the date the current certificate expires (i.e. March 31, 2011) will be issued a new certificate that will expire three years from the month in which re-registration was accomplished. A certificate would not display an expiration date of March 31, 2014, unless re-registration was actually accomplished in March 2011. For those that re-register in the month of October 2010, a new certificate will be issued displaying an expiration date of October 31, 2013.

The Registry has also received a few phone calls from aircraft owners expressing concern that they had not received their re-registration notice on October 1. There were approximately 30,000 notices created on October 1. In order to lessen the impact on the normal day to day requirements, the Registry is only sending out approximately 3,000 of the notices each day. It will take 10 days to get them all out. The notices were printed in numerical order so if an aircraft owner has an 'N' number beginning with 7, 8, or 9, they may not get a notice for a few days. This same process will apply to any future mailing of re-registration notices.