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**Federal Aviation
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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

AERONAUTICAL STUDY 12-ASO-002-NR

PROPOSAL: To decommission the DECATUR VOR/DME (DCU), located in Decatur, AL. DCU VOR with DME /RCO serves 6 airports and is primarily associated with Pryor Field Regional Airport in Decatur, AL. The VOR is to be removed without replacement. However, the DME service may be retained, and if necessary, the RCO services can be relocated to the DCU Localizer if the VOR is approved for decommissioning.

The DCU VORTAC is identified as a candidate for decommissioning by the Eastern Service Area. The VOR is in need of major infrastructure repair and policy now requires that decommissioning must be evaluated for all VOR facilities prior to upgrading or performing major repairs.

LOCATION: Latitude: 34° 38' 54" N NAD 83
Longitude: 086° 56' 22" W

A preliminary review indicates that a number of instrument procedures and charting would be affected. This is a comprehensive list and may not include all affected by this decommissioning.

GZS:

VOR/DME RWY 34

DCU

VOR RWY 18

VOR RWY 36

ILS or LOC RWY 18

5M0

RNAV (GPS) RWY 36

HSV

ILS or LOC RWY 18L
 ILS or LOC RWY 18R
 ILS or LOC RWY 36L
 ILS or LOC RWY 36R
 ILS RWY 18R (CAT II)
 VOR-A

MDQ

VOR/DME-B

Associated Airways:

V49; V541

Holding Patterns:

DECATUR VOR/DME; HOBBI INT; MASHA INT; VOYUD INT

FIXES:

ARDER	BOLAY	BOSAC	CECAB	COTIN
DEBAY	DEDOC	EDDIEELKED	ENIKY	
ETEVY	FEKER	FEKSO	GETEC	HASEL
HEREG	HOBBI	JASEX	JOHNY	LANER
MASHA	OWENT	PINKS SMITZ	TANNE	
UJOTY	VOYUD	WILED		

RCO:

DCU RCO

STAR

DUPONT FOUR	DYLIN FOUR	GUNNI TWO
IRONS FOUR	JAIKE TWO	JAIKE THREE
KORRY THREE		
PHLBO TWO	RAVNN TWO	RAVNN THREE
SEA ISLE FOUR	RUUTH ONE	GATBY ONE
SMYRNA THREE	NOTTINGHAM SIX	

SID

BIRMINGHAM FOUR
 HUNTSVILLE ONE

PFR
DCU to ATL SLD

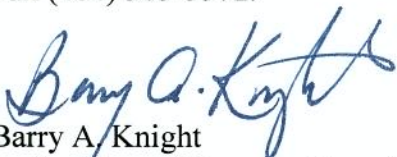
PJA
Radial 220 Distance 15

Charts: CG-20 WAC; IFR Enroute L-18; Atlanta Sectional Chart

This circularization is intended to provide the public with the opportunity to review and comment to the effect this proposal may have on aeronautical activity. The issuance of this non-rule circular is to give notice of impending action within the National airspace. Comments regarding this proposal should be made in writing and directed to:

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Non Rule Case No. 12-ASO-002-NR
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Comments received prior to April 27, 2012 will be considered before final action is taken on this proposal. The Specialist assigned to this study is Melinda George of the Operations Support Staff, telephone (404) 305-5610, Melinda.A.George@faa.gov, and Fax (404) 305-5572.



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