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of Transportation  
**Federal Aviation  
Administration**

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Washington, D.C. 20591

July 18, 2016

Exemption No. 6485J  
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2002-11939

Colonel Rafael A. Robles  
General Counsel  
Civil Air Patrol  
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Dear Colonel Robles:

This letter is to inform you that we have granted your petition to extend Exemption No. 6485, as amended. It transmits our decision, explains its basis, and gives you the conditions and limitations of the exemption, including the date it ends.

#### **The Basis for Our Decision**

By letter dated May 4, 2016, you petitioned the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) for an extension of Exemption No. 6485, as amended. That exemption from subpart F of part 91 of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) allows CAP to operate small aircraft under subpart F of part 91 and receive limited reimbursement for certain flights within the scope of and incidental to the CAP's corporate purposes and United States Air Force Auxiliary status.

In your petition, you indicate that there has been no change in the conditions and reasons relative to public interest and safety that were the basis for granting the original exemption.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to CAP.

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**Our Decision**

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 6485, as amended, remains valid with respect to this exemption and is in the public interest. Therefore, under the authority provided by 49 U.S.C. §§ 106(f), 40113 and 44701, which the FAA Administrator has delegated to me, I grant the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) an exemption from 14 CFR subpart F of part 91 to operate small aircraft under subpart F of part 91 and receive limited reimbursement for certain flights within the scope of and incidental to the CAP's corporate purposes and United States Air Force Auxiliary status, subject to the conditions and limitations listed below.

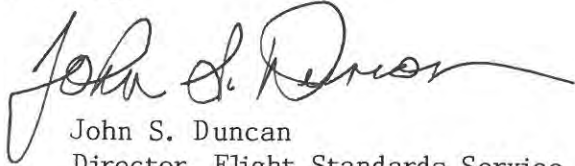
**Conditions and Limitations**

1. The CAP must comply with the operating rules in §§ 91.503 through 91.535, in addition to the operating rules prescribed in other subparts of part 91, when exercising the privileges of this exemption.
2. The CAP may conduct only those operations listed in § 91.501(b) when exercising the privileges of this exemption.
3. The pilot in command (PIC) conducting operations under this exemption must hold a commercial pilot certificate with appropriate category and class ratings for the aircraft to be used in the operation. The PIC also must hold an instrument rating except when conducting day VFR flights within 50 nautical miles of the departure airport.
4. The PIC conducting operations under this exemption must hold at least a current second-class medical certificate.
5. The PIC conducting operations under this exemption must hold a current CAP Form 5, CAP Pilot Checkout, issued within the previous 12 months.
6. The aircraft used for operations conducted under this exemption must be maintained and have 100-hour and annual inspections performed in accordance with 14 CFR part 43 and part 91.

**The Effect of Our Decision**

Our decision extends the termination date of Exemption No. 6485, as amended, to July 31, 2018, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

Sincerely,

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John S. Duncan  
Director, Flight Standards Service

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