

May 25, 2001

Federal Aviation Administration
Central Region – Office of the Regional Counsel
ATTN: Rules Docket No. 93-CE-37-AD
901 Locust, Room 506
Kansas City, MO 64106

To Whom It May Concern:

The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), representing the interest of over 370,000 aircraft owners and pilots, submits the following remarks to Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) Docket No. 93-CE-37-AD applying to several of Raytheon Aircraft Company's Beech 35 series models:

AOPA supports the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) intentions concerning this proposed Airworthiness Directive (AD) of removing Beech Models 35, 35R, A35, and B35 airplanes and clarifying the information as currently presented in AD 94-20-04. AOPA shares the sentiment of the American Bonanza Society that revising AD 94-20-04 as it applies to the remaining affected Beech 35 series airplanes will help eliminate confusion and does not place an extra burden on those who operate these airplanes.

AOPA appreciates the opportunity to provide the FAA with our comments on this important airworthiness concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Lance Nuckolls", with a stylized flourish at the end.

R. Lance Nuckolls
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Cc: Bill Timberlake
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