

Resolution Number 2

External Load Approvals

Whereas the blanket exemption for the carriage of external loads without engineering approval is now no longer in effect, and;

Whereas there was some inconsistent direction from Transport Canada regarding test flight requirements for the certification of external loads which unreasonably delayed some applications for certification and operators were not able to complete their test flight programs before freeze up in 2010, and;

Whereas due to the short float-plane season in the North not all required test flight data can be collected until spring 2011 at the beginning of float season, and;

Whereas NATA members are actively pursuing the goal to certify external loads and a significant amount of time and money has been expended on the process;

Therefore, be it resolved that Transport Canada provide an exemption to those operators who were unable to complete the test flight requirements until this spring to carry out operations with external loads until such time as their formal approvals can be fully processed by Transport Canada.

Passed at the 35th Annual General Meeting in Yellowknife April 15, 2011