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reply. No argument may be included in such filings. Parties shall submit, with any decision, a reference to the page of the brief to which the decision pertains. Any response shall be filed within 10 days and shall be similarly limited. With this exception, no further briefs may be filed, except with specific permission of the Board and on a showing of good cause.

(f) *Oral argument.* Oral argument before the Board will normally not be held in proceedings under this part. However, when need therefor appears, the Board may permit oral argument, either on its own initiative or on motion of a party.

[40 FR 30248, July 17, 1975, as amended at 49 FR 28250, July 11, 1984, 59 FR 59049, Nov. 15, 1994; 60 FR 25620, May 12, 1995]

§ 821.49 Issues on appeal.

(a) On appeal, the Board will consider only the following issues:

(1) Are the findings of fact each supported by a preponderance of reliable, probative, and substantial evidence?

(2) Are conclusions made in accordance with law, precedent, and policy?

(3) Are the questions on appeal substantial?

(4) Have any prejudicial errors occurred?

(b) If the Board determines that the law judge erred in any respect or that his or her order in his or her initial decision should be changed, the Board may make any necessary findings and may issue an order in lieu of the law judge's order or may remand the case for such purposes as the Board may deem necessary. The Board on its own initiative may raise any issue, the resolution of which it deems important to a proper disposition of the proceedings. If necessary or appropriate, a reasonable opportunity shall be afforded the parties to comment.

[59 FR 59049, Nov. 15, 1994]

§ 821.50 Petitions for rehearing, reargument, reconsideration, or modification of an order of the Board.

(a) *General.* Any party to a proceeding may petition for rehearing, reargument, reconsideration, or modification of a Board order on appeal from an initial decision. Any such petitions shall be served on all other par-

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ties to the proceeding within 30 days after service of the Board's order on appeal from the initial decision. Initial decisions that have become final because they were not appealed may not be the subject of petitions under this section.

(b) *Timing and service.* The petition shall be filed with the Board and served on the parties within 30 days after service of the Board's order on appeal from the initial decision.

(c) *Contents.* The petition shall state briefly and specifically the matters of record alleged to have been erroneously decided, the ground or grounds relied upon, and the relief sought. If the petition is based, in whole or in part, on allegations as to the consequences that would result from the order of the Board, the basis of such allegations shall be set forth. If the petition is based, in whole or in part, upon new matter, it shall set forth such new matter and shall contain affidavits of prospective witnesses, authenticated documents, or both, or an explanation why such substantiation is unavailable, and shall explain why such new matter could not have been discovered by the exercise of due diligence prior to the date of the hearing.

(d) *Grounds for dismissal.* Repetitious petitions will not be entertained by the Board and will be summarily dismissed.

(e) *Reply to petition.* Within 15 days after the service of the petition upon an adverse party, he or she may reply thereto by filing a copy of the reply with the Board, with proof of service upon the petitioner.

(f) *Stay of effective date of order.* The filing of a petition under this section shall operate to stay the effective date of the Board order, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

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Subpart I—Rules Applicable to Emergency Proceedings and Other Immediately Effective Orders

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§ 821.52 General.

(a) *Applicability.* This subpart shall apply to any order issued by the Administrator under 49 U.S.C. 44709: as an emergency order; as an order not designated as an emergency order, but later amended to be an emergency order; and any order designated as immediately effective or effective immediately.

(b) *Effective date of emergency.* The procedure set forth herein shall apply as of the date when written advice of the emergency character of the Administrator's order is first received and docketed by the Office of Administrative Law Judges or the Board.

(c) *Computation of time.* Time shall be computed in accordance with the provisions of § 821.10.

§ 821.53 Appeal.

(a) *Time within which to appeal.* The certificate holder may appeal within 10 days after the service of the Administrator's emergency or other immediately effective order. The certificate holder shall file an original and 3 copies of the appeal with the Office of Administrative Law Judges, and shall serve a copy of the appeal on the Administrator.

(b) *Form and content of appeal.* The appeal may be in letter form. It shall identify the Administrator's order and the certificate affected, shall recite the Administrator's action and indicate that an emergency or other immediately effective order is being appealed, and shall identify the issues of fact or law on which the appeal is based, and the relief sought. A copy of the order shall be attached to the appeal.

§ 821.54 Review of Administrator's determination of emergency.

(a) *Time within which to file petition.* The certificate holder may, within 2 days after receipt of the Administrator's emergency or other immediately effective order, petition the Board for review of the Administrator's determination that an emergency, requiring the issuance of an immediately effective order, exists. This 2 day deadline is statutory and the Board has no authority to extend it. If the certificate holder has not previously filed an appeal

from the emergency or other immediately effective order, the petition shall also be considered a simultaneously filed appeal from the order under § 821.53.

(b) *Form, content, and service of petition.* The petition may be in letter form. It shall identify the order from which review of the Administrator's exercise of emergency authority is sought, and a copy of the order shall be attached to the petition. The petition shall enumerate the specific grounds on which the certificate holder challenges the Administrator's determination that an emergency exists. In the event that the petition fails to set forth the specific grounds for the certificate holder's challenge to the Administrator's emergency determination, the petition shall be dismissed. The petition shall be served on both the Board and the Administrator via overnight delivery or facsimile.

(c) *Reply to petition.* Within 2 days after service of the petition, the Administrator may file a reply to the petition in support of his or her determination as to the existence of an emergency requiring the order to be effective immediately. Such reply shall be served on both the Board and the certificate holder via overnight delivery or facsimile. No written submissions other than the petition and reply shall be filed, except in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) *Hearing.* No hearing shall be held on a petition for review of an emergency determination. However, a law judge may, on his or her own initiative, solicit from the parties additional information to supplement that provided in the petition and reply.

(e) *Disposition.* Within 5 days after receipt of the petition, the chief judge (or, if the case has been assigned, the law judge to whom the case is assigned) shall dispose of the petition by written order, finding whether the Administrator abused his or her discretion in determining that there exists an emergency requiring the order to be immediately effective, based on the acts and omissions alleged in the Administrator's order, assuming the truth of such factual allegations.