Subject:MOP re-write consultation

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Dear Council

As was mentioned during Thursday's Council meeting, the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia (MAAA) is introducing a proposed re-write of the MAAA Model Operating Procedures (MOPs). This re-write aims to provide updated guidelines and regulations for all state clubs affiliated with the MAAA. The MOPs outline the operational and safety standards that must be followed by model aircraft enthusiasts.

The following revised MOP drafts are now ready for consultation, and all Ordinary Members are expected to review and provide feedback on the proposed changes:

MOP015 Heavy Models MOP030 Gas Turbine Rules

It will be at the discretion of each Ordinary Member Executive as to what state bodies/clubs/individuals are involved in the submissions, but it would be expected that those making proposals or comments possess significant experience in the field of both heavy/giant models and gas turbine powered model aircraft. Ideally, each Ordinary Member will collate information from within their own clubs and provide relevant feedback to the MAAA. This consultation process allows the Ordinary Members to contribute their insights and suggestions to ensure that the revised MOPs align with the ongoing needs and perspectives of the model aviation community. By engaging in this collaborative effort, the MAAA aims to redevelop a comprehensive set of guidelines that promote safety, responsible operation, and the enjoyment of model aviation activities across Australia.

If you are affiliated with a state club and wish to have some input into the revision of the MOPs, it is important to stay informed about the consultation process and submit your written feedback within the designated timeframe.

To participate in this process, written submissions with comments/additions and accurate reference to the appropriate Clauses in the drafts must be returned via email to the MAAA Member Services Officer via the secretary (this email) by August 14 2023.

The relevant MOPs and suggested edits form are both attached to this email.

Thank you

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