

Contract trade level	Current clearing fee	Proposed clearing fee
1–500	\$0.09/contract	\$.0575/contract.
501–1000	0.07/contract045/contract.
1001–2000	0.06/contract04/contract.
>2000	110.00 flat fee	65.00 flat fee.

The proposed discounted fee schedule will enable clearing members to benefit from reduced fees without adversely affecting OCC's ability to maintain an acceptable level of retained earnings. Commencing the first trading day of 2001, the discounted clearing fees will revert to their current levels.

OCC believes that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of Section 17A of the Act³ and the rules and regulations thereunder because it benefits clearing members by reducing fees and allocates fees among clearing members in an equitable manner.

(B) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition

OCC does not believe that the proposed rule change would impose any burden on competition.

(C) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants or Others

Written comments were not and are not intended to be solicited with respect to the proposed rule change, and none have been received.

III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

The foregoing rule change has become effective pursuant to section 19(b)(3)(A)(ii)⁴ of the Act and Rule 19b-4(f)(2)⁵ promulgated thereunder because the proposal establishes or changes a due, fee, or other charge imposed by OCC. At any time within sixty days of the filing of such proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act.

Persons making written submissions should file six copies thereof with the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549–0609. Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Section, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of OCC. All submissions should refer to File No. SR–OCC–00–06 and should be submitted by October 4, 2000.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁶

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

User Input to the Aviation Weather Technology Transfer (AWTT) Board

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA will hold an informal public meeting to seek aviation weather user input. Details: October 10, 2000; Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, 900 Convention Center Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana; 1 pm to 5 pm in room 244. The objective of this meeting is to provide an opportunity for interested aviation weather users to provide input on FAA's plans for implementing new weather products.

DATES: The meeting will be held in Room 244 at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, 900 Convention

Center Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70130 in conjunction with the National Business Aviation Association, Inc. (NBAA) annual convention. Times: 1 5 pm, on October 10, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Debi Bacon, Aviation Weather Policy Division, ARW 100, Federal Aviation Administration, 400 7th St. SW., Washington, DC 20590; telephone number (202) 366 1040; fax: (202) 366 5549; email: debi.bacon@faa.gov. Internet address: <http://www.debi.bacon@faa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

The FAA has established an Aviation Weather Technology Transfer (AWTT) Board to manage the orderly transfer of weather capabilities and products from research and development into operations. The AWTT Board is chaired by the head of the Aviation Weather Directorate, ARW–1 and is composed of stakeholders in Air Traffic Services, ATS; Regulation and Certification, AVR; and Research and Acquisitions, ARA in the Federal Aviation Administration and the Office of Meteorology in the National Weather Service.

The AWTT Board will meet semi-annually or as needed, to determine the readiness of weather research and development products for experimental use or for full operational use. The Board's determinations will be based upon criteria in the following areas: users' needs; benefits; costs; risks; technical readiness; operational readiness and budget requirements.

The user interface process is designed to allow FAA to both report progress and receive feedback from industry users. Each AWTT Board meeting will be preceded by a half-day industry review session approximately one month prior to each Board meeting. These industry review sessions will be announced in the **Federal Register** and open to all interested parties.

This meeting is the first industry review session and is intended to receive feedback for the November 2000 AWTT Board meeting.

Meeting Procedures

(a) The meeting will be informal in nature and will be conducted by

³ 15 U.S.C. 78q–1.

⁴ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(ii).

⁵ 17 CFR 240.19b–4(f)(2).

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

representatives of the FAA Headquarters.

(b) The meeting will be open to all persons on a space-available basis. Every effort was made to provide a meeting site with sufficient seating capacity for the expected participation. There will be neither admission fee nor other charge to attend and participate. This meeting is being held in conjunction with the NBAA annual conference. There is a charge to attend the NBAA conference, however any person attending this informal meeting only, will be admitted by NBAA conference officials to this meeting only.

(c) FAA personnel present will conduct a briefing on how the new AWTTC system works. Any person will be allowed to ask questions during the presentation and FAA personnel will clarify any part of the process that is not clear.

(d) FAA personnel will present a briefing on a specific product that will be reviewed at the November 2000 AWTTC Board Meeting. Any person will be allowed to ask questions during the presentation and FAA personnel will clarify any part of the presentation that is not clear.

(e) Any person present may give feedback on the product to be presented. Feedback on the proposed product will be captured through discussion between FAA personnel and any persons attending the meeting. The meeting will not be formally recorded. However, informal tape recordings may be made of the presentations to ensure that each respondent's comments are noted accurately.

(f) An official verbatim transcript or minutes of the informal meeting will not be made. However, a list of the attendees, a digest of discussions during the meeting and an action item list will be produced. Any person attending may receive a copy of the written information upon request to the information contact, above.

(g) Every reasonable effort will be made to hear each person's feedback consistent with a reasonable closing time for the meeting. Written feedback may also be submitted to FAA personnel for up to seven (7) days after the close of the meeting.

Agenda

- (a) Opening Remarks and Discussion of Meeting Procedures
- (b) Briefing on AWTTC Process
- (c) Request for User Input
- (d) Closing Comments

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 5, 2000.

David Whatley,

Program Director, Aviation Weather Directorate.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent to Rule on Application To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Duluth International Airport, Duluth, MN

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to rule on application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Duluth International Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 13, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Federal Aviation Administration, Minneapolis Airports District Office, 6020 28th Avenue South, Room 102, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55450-2706.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Raymond Klosowski, Executive Director, Duluth Airport Authority, at the following address: Duluth Airport Authority, Duluth International Airport, 4701 Grinden Drive, Duluth, MN 55811.

Air carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of written comments previously provided to the Duluth Airport Authority under § 158.23 of part 158.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gordon Nelson, Program Manager, Federal Aviation Administration, Airports District Office, 6020 28th Avenue South, Room 102, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55450-2706, telephone (612) 713-4358. The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC at Duluth International Airport under the provisions of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 (Title IX of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990) (Pub. L. 101-508) and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 158).

On August 16, 2000, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Duluth Airport Authority was substantially complete within the requirements of § 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than November 14, 2000.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

PFC application number: 00-04-C-00-DLH.

Level of the Proposed PFC: \$3.00.

Proposed charge effective date: December 1, 2000.

Proposed charge expiration date: February 1, 2003.

Total estimated PFC revenue: \$628,931.00.

Brief description of proposed projects: Acquire snow blower, acquire runway sander (snow removal equipment), security upgrade, design and phase I construction for runway 9-27 centerline and touchdown zone lighting, design for CAT II Instrument Landing System, install centerline and touchdown zone lighting, and PFC consultant fees. Class or classes of air carriers which the public agency has requested not be required to collect PFCs: non-scheduled Part 135 Air Taxi/Commercial Operators (ATCO).

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA Office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Duluth Airport Authority Office.

Issued in Des Plaines, Illinois, on August 23, 2000.

Benito De Leon,

Manager, Airports Planning/Programming Branch, Great Lakes Region.

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