Item No.

Meeting Date: APRIL 4, 2013

## Subject:

## **Authorize the Rejection of the Claim of Emily Pomeroy**

#### **Recommendation:**

Adopt Resolution No. 2013-0035, authorizing the rejection of the claim of Emily Pomeroy.

## **Background/Justification:**

On March 11, 2013, Emily Pomeroy ("Pomeroy") filed a claim (Attachment A) with the Authority alleging that on January 13, 2013, she sustained injury to her ankle when she fell while walking down the jetway to board her flight at Gate 39 in Terminal Two at San Diego International Airport. Pomeroy claims damages for medical treatment, medications and mental and physical distress in an amount exceeding \$35,000.00.

Pomeroy alleges in her claim that she was walking down the jetway to board her flight when she fell in an area where two sections of the jetway overlap and there exists a small step. She claims she heard and felt a loud crunch. She returned back into the terminal to receive first aid from paramedics and left on the next flight to her destination. She alleges the fall caused her to rupture some ligaments in her foot and ankle and bruise a cuboid bone in her foot.

Pomeroy's claim should be denied. An investigation into the incident revealed no notice of an unsafe condition to the Authority nor was an unsafe condition alleged in the claim. The jetway is well-lit and in good repair without trip hazards. The platform edges are well marked and easily seen.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

Not applicable.

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### **Environmental Review:**

- A. <u>California Environmental Quality Act:</u> This Board action is not a project that would have a significant effect on the environment as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended. 14 Cal. Code Regs. §15378. The Board action is not a "project" subject to CEQA. Cal. Pub. Res. Code §21065.
- B. <u>California Coastal Act:</u> This Board action is not a "development" as defined by the California Coastal Act. Cal. Pub. Res. Code §30106.

## **Equal Opportunity Program:**

Not applicable.

## Prepared by:

SUZIE JOHNSON PARALEGAL



## SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

## **Inter-Office Communication**

Date:

March 11, 2013

To:

Breton K. Lobner, General Counsel

cc:

Mark Burchyett, Chief Auditor

Cindy Steele, Risk Management Analyst

Vice Presidents

From:

Sara Real, Assistant Authority Clerk I

Subject:

Claim No. CL-196 - Pomeroy

Attached please find the above referenced claim, which was received by our office today, Monday, March 11, 2013. We are forwarding it to you for further action.

If you have any questions, please telephone me at ext. 2550.





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# SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY ACCIDENT OR DAMAGE CLAIM FORM

Please complete all sections.
Incomplete submittals will be returned, unprocessed.
Use typewriter or print in ink.

1) Claimant Name: Emily Pomer	rou
2) Address to which correspondence regard 3330 Midland Driv Apt P-101 West Haven, UT 8440	ing this claim should be sent:
Telephone No.: 80/- 7/0 - 224	9 Date: 02/24/2013
3) Date and time of incident: Januar	r4 13, 2013
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6) Name(s) of the Authority employee(s) cau	using the injury, damage or loss, if known:
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9) Owner and location of damaged property or na	ame/address of person injured:
- Emily Pomerou	
3330 midland Dr.	
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WEST HAVEN, UT 8	4401
10) Detailed list and amount of damages claimed prospective damages. If amount exceeds \$10	l as of date of presentation of claim, including ,000.00, a specific amount need not be included.
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## **Notice to Claimant:**

Where space is insufficient, please use additional paper and identify information by proper section number.

## Return completed form to:

Tony Russell, Director, Corporate Services/Authority Clerk Corporate Services Department P.O. Box 82776 San Diego, CA 92138-2776



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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-0035**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE REJECTION OF THE CLAIM OF EMILY POMEROY

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2013, Emily Pomeroy filed a claim with the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority for damages she allegedly incurred as a result of falling in the jetway while waiting to board her flight at gate 39 in Terminal Two at San Diego International Airport; and

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting on April 4, 2013, the Board considered the claim filed by Emily Pomeroy, the report submitted to the Board, and found that the claim should be rejected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the rejection of the claim of Emily Pomeroy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board determines this action is not a "project" as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Cal. Pub. Res. Code §21065; nor is it a "development" as defined by the California Coastal Act, Cal. Pub. Res. Code §30106.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Board of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority at a regular meeting this 4<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2013, by the following vote:

NOES:	Board Members:	
ABSENT:	Board Members:	
		ATTEST:
		TONY R. RUSSELL DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES/

**AUTHORITY CLERK** 

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**Board Members:** 

BRETON K. LOBNER GENERAL COUNSEL

AYES: