



March 14, 2016

Mr. Elliott Black  
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U.S. Department of Transportation  
800 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20591

RE: San Diego International Airport Competition Plan Update

Dear Mr. Black:

On May 27, 2014, the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") approved the San Diego International Airport Competition Plan ("SDIACP"). The San Diego County Regional Airport Authority ("Authority"), operator of San Diego International Airport, submits this letter to the FAA as its Competition Plan Update as required in the FAA's approval letter of May 27, 2014.

First, the Authority wishes to inform the FAA that there has been no new airline lease and use agreement nor any significant change to the existing lease and use agreement since the SDIACP was filed in 2014. Second, since the SDIACP was submitted and approved in 2014, the Authority has not needed to file a competitive access report as required by 49 USC § 47101(s).

In the approval letter, the FAA requested updates on any changes in scheduled gate operations that impacted secondary gate users. We are pleased to inform the FAA that the Authority has not made changes in gate assignments that occurred after a second priority gate user had changed its scheduled operation.

The approval letter also recommended that the Authority eliminate the requirement for destination information in future operating and lease agreements. The Authority has decided to eliminate in future operating and lease agreements the requirement that an airline requesting new gate privileges provide destination information, except to state that the requested gate would be used for an international flight requiring the use of Federal Inspection Station ("FIS") facilities. We expect a new agreement in the 2018 timeframe.

The Authority has been an active partner in ensuring that San Diego International Airport provides facilities to accommodate new and expanded air service by all air carriers for the benefit of the traveling public. We look forward to the FAA's approval of this Competition Plan Update.

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