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FAA Gives Airport High Marks

FAA Inspection Finds "Zero Discrepancies" in Safety and Operations

Anchorage, Alaska September 3, 2002 – The Federal Aviation Administration found zero discrepancies as it conducted its annual, comprehensive inspection of the airport's operations, fire fighting, and field maintenance programs. The results came after a thorough check of all required functions and areas. FAA commended the Airport for "the procedures utilized for the operation of the airport."

"This confirms the safety initiatives and operational capabilities of what I consider to be the best operations team of any airport in the country", said Airport Director Morton V. Plumb Jr.

The inspection follows the procedures and rules of Federal Aviation Regulation Part 139. The FAA inspects operational procedures, runway and taxiway conditions, lighting, and safety areas; runway markings; rescue and fire fighting; re-fueling inspections; ground vehicle control; wildlife hazard management and ensures that required routine inspections are made by airport personnel.

More than 45 scheduled carriers provide passenger and cargo service to the Airport, including service to international points. The Airport serves over 5 million passengers every year, operates the world's busiest floatplane base, and ranks as the number one airport in North America in terms of landed weight of all-cargo aircraft.

Information about the Airport can be found at www.anchorageairport.com. -END-