

Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment

In accordance with CFR 14 Part 158.24, notice is hereby given that the Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) is offering an opportunity for public comment prior to the filing an application with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for:

Passenger Facility Charge – Impose and Use Authority for the following items.

- 1. On Airport Obstruction Removal**
- 2. Installation of New Elevator**
- 3. New FIDS System**
- 4. Installation of CUTE System**
- 5. Trailer Mounted Snow Melter**
- 6. Purchase 4 Multi-Use Vehicles**

Brief Justification:

- 1. On Airport Obstruction Removal.** This project involves the removal of flight operation surface obstructions located on airport property.
- 2. Installation of New Elevator.** This project will consist of the installation of an elevator in the non-secure, public lobby in Terminal A in a more prominent and convenient location which will significantly enhance the ability of the airport to serve its' passengers and greatly improve customer service.
- 3. New FIDS System.** This project involves the installation of a new Flight Information Display system (FIDS) which will replace the current outdated system with new technology to meet future needs.
- 4. Installation of CUTE System.** This project involves the installation of Common Use Terminal Equipment (CUTE) a product which allows multiple airlines to use the same computer equipment. Immediate goal is to install an expandable system starting with two CAA gates that are currently not leased by the airlines. The shared platform can be used by any airline agent allowing access to the application for the purpose of checking and boarding passengers. This system will allow for airlines to operate from these gates when their normal gates are not available during special circumstances.
- 5. Trailer Mounted Snow Melter.** This project consists of the purchase of a trailer-mounted snow melter. This piece of equipment will be used for the snow removal operations around the terminal facilities. Due to the configuration of the terminal facilities snow removal operations require pushing snow long distances out to and along Taxiways S and C. The trailer mounted snow melter will allow the airport to strategically place the melter to provide more efficient snow removal operations with less disruption to airlines and support vehicles.

6. **Purchase 4 Multi-Use Vehicles.** Bradley International Airport (BDL) has an aging snow removal equipment fleet (SRE). BDL’s rotary plows (snow blowers) average age is 18 years old and they are undersized according to FAA calculations. The displacement plows have an average age of 17.86 years old, BDL’s brooms average age is 15.83 years old. These pieces of equipment are eligible for FAA AIP/PFC funding and according to the FAA criteria should be replaced around the 10 year time period. BDL’s SRE are beyond the FAA recommended replacement age. The CAA is looking to Purchase 2 SRE single chassis carrier vehicles along with 2 snow blower attachments and 2 SRE Multi-function chassis with Plow and Snow Broom. The vehicles are eligible based on the Snow Removal Calculations for the airport.

PFC level for each: It is intended that all collections will be at the \$3.00 level.

Estimated total PFC revenue to be used for each project

On Airport Obstruction Removal	\$ 100,000
Installation of New Elevator	3,300,000
New FIDS System	400,000
Installation of CUTE System	200,000
Trailer Mounted Snow Melter.....	685,000
Purchase 4 Multi-Use Vehicles	<u>3,900,000</u>
Total:	\$ 8,525,000

Proposed PFC charge for all projects: (December 1, 2027)

Estimated charge expiration date for all projects: (January 1, 2029)

Estimated total PFC revenue to be collected: (\$8,525,000)

Comments may be filed no later than March 1, 2016 and sent to:

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