

**NOTICE OF
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT RELATED TO
PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE
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The City of Atlanta is providing an opportunity for public comment until December 12, 2016 related to a proposed amendment to Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Application #15-17-C-00-ATL.

The City of Atlanta (the "City") received approval from the FAA to "Impose and Use" PFCs for four (4) projects at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport on October 19, 2015. This approved ATL Passenger Facility Charge Application #15-17-C-00-ATL is the subject of this notice of proposed amendment.

Project #1, entitled "Passenger Loading Bridge Replacement and Refurbishment" contains a scope and budget change. In PFC Application #15-17-C-00-ATL, the City received approval for the planning, design and installation of eighty-six (86) replacement passenger loading bridges, one hundred fourteen (114) 400Hz aircraft ground power units and seventy-five (75) preconditioned air units at ATL. The approval also included refurbishing thirty (30) passenger loading bridges to address all mechanical and electrical items to extend the life of the passenger boarding bridges another twenty (20) years.

This amendment proposes to modify the scope and cost of the "Passenger Loading Bridge Replacement and Refurbishment" project. The project will now include the planning, design and installation of one hundred sixteen (116) replacement passenger loading bridges, one hundred twenty-nine (129) 400Hz aircraft ground power units and seventy-nine (79) preconditioned air units at ATL. The refurbishing of thirty (30) passenger loading bridges has been deleted from this project. The project also now includes the refurbishment of associated boarding bridge walkways and vestibules. It also includes the re-control of the Chiller plants and the air handling units on the boarding bridges at gates on Concourses A and T.

The original budget for the Passenger Loading Bridge Replacement and Refurbishment project was \$86,000,000 to be funded 100% with PFCs. The updated budget for this project is now \$175,600,000, an increase of \$89,600,000, to be funded 100% with PFCs. The increase in cost is a result of the following: 1) actual bid prices in excess of the engineer's estimate; 2) the need to replace rather than refurbish the thirty (30) loading bridges;

and 3) the need to refurbish the walkways and vestibules connecting the passenger boarding bridges to the concourse. The need to replace rather than refurbish the thirty (30) is based on further deterioration of the bridges since the condition assessment was performed in 2013. The bridges are experiencing increased failures and downtime. Additionally, the replacement rather than refurbishment of the bridges will allow for the incorporation of the most recent bridge technology which provides additional benefit in the long term over rehabilitation of the bridges. Due to the age and condition of the boarding bridges, it is more economical in the long term to invest the funds in new equipment rather than rehabilitated equipment.

The net change to Application #15-17-C-00-ATL as a result of this budget adjustment is a net increase of \$89,600,000. The proposed budget change results in a revised estimated expiration date of September 1, 2024. There is no proposed change to the charge effective date of this application, the PFC collection level of \$4.50 per enplaned passenger or the exemption of the Nonscheduled/On-Demand Air Carriers ("ATCO") class of carriers.

Comments or a request for more detailed justification should be sent to Greg Richardson, Interim Chief Financial Officer, City of Atlanta Department of Aviation, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, P.O. Box 20509, Atlanta, Georgia 30320-2509.