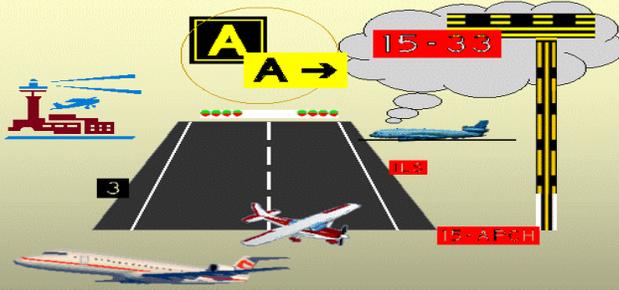




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Application:
This bulletin is being sent to all Part 139 certified airports. Please distribute to all Airport Operations staff.

Background:
In 2006, there was a National concern about the potential for Bird Flu to mutate into a strain that could be easily transmitted to humans and passed from human to human. As this would be a new virus strain, humans would not have any built up immunity and the rapid spread could result in a pandemic. Planning assumptions from the Centers for Disease Control indicated that employers could expect up to 30% of employees to be absent during a pandemic because they were either sick, taking care of sick family, or practicing social distancing. During that time many airports developed Pandemic Flu Plans.

Action Required:
The recent rise of the H1N1 (Swine Flu) is another reminder that a mutated influenza virus could mutate at anytime and possibly result in a pandemic. Considering the planning assumptions from the Centers for Disease Control we are concerned about how you will meet the requirements of

14 CFR Part 139 while in operation with 30% of employees absent. Please take serious thought in revising or implementing your Pandemic Flu Plan.

For best practices and guidance for an airport Pandemic Flu Plan from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Annex please visit <http://www.dot.gov/pandemicflu/pdf/aviation.pdf> . Also please reference the attached document from Airports Council International, Airport Preparedness Guidelines for Outbreaks of Communicable Disease.

Complete the attached Pandemic Flu Plan Status Form and return to our office no later than June 8, 2009.

Attachments:

- CertAlert 09-09, Airport Planning for Pandemic Flu including H1N1 (Swine Flu)
- ACI, Airport Preparedness Guidelines for Outbreaks of Communicable Disease
- Pandemic Flu Plan Status Form