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Dear Industry Representative:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is re-circulating Draft Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5300-19, Airport Data and Information Program, to industry representatives to obtain comments on the proposed program. This AC was initially sent for industry review in June 2011, but was not published because of an ongoing project within the FAA to better manage aeronautical data and identify authoritative databases for airport data. The AC has been revised to conform to FAA and industry principles and standards of data management and stewardship.

This AC provides comprehensive guidance for airport owners and operators on the electronic collection, submission and management of data describing the physical infrastructure, characteristics and services of their airport. We expect to make electronic data submission available around October 1, 2015 and anticipate a 1-year phase in during which airports can use either electronic data submission or the current submission process. We will not require electronic submission until the FAA completes its internal database management realignment, but we will encourage airports to begin using the program before the effective date.

Please provide justification for all comments and recommended modifications. We may revise the final document as a result of comments received and further review by the Office of Airport Safety and Standards. We will consider comments received by Thursday, July 13, for inclusion in the AC. Please submit all comments using the attached comment matrix to Andrew Goldsmith at andrew.e.goldsmith@faa.gov.

You will find a PDF version of the draft advisory circular on the FAA website at http://www.faa.gov/airports/resources/draft_advisory_circulars/.

Sincerely,

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