

Flight Plan Filers' (FPF) Telcon Minutes

2nd April 2014

Attendees-

- FAA Headquarters: Dan Eaves, Ray Ahlberg, Sean Bodkin
- FAA Technical Center:
- FAA Headquarters Contractor: Joe Poirier
- Other Participants: AISR, Facilities, Airlines, Filing Services, Lockheed Martin, Non-US ATC Organizations.

Discussion-

- Sean Bodkin moderated the telcon
- Flight Plan Filers website link:
http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ato/service_units/enroute/flight_plan_filing/

Houston OAPM Briefing (Mark Phipps, Mike Kingsley and Bill Crowe)

- Briefing distributed in advance of the telcon
- Implementing May 29th
- Plan second industry outreach for May 7th in ZHU (will join FPF telcon as well)
- Information will be made available for download into systems six days in advance of May 29th
- Regarding ACM- how far out will the arc be?
 - 370 mile arc, hope to reduce the significant moving in closer to the airport, calls for release may need to be down earlier rather than later to determine if one of the proposed legs could be granted
- Will have airline POCs on hand during implementation to troubleshoot issues that arise
Ron Renk is the POC for becoming a part of the Go Teams
 - Also a phone bridge will be provided
- Kevin (ARINC)- data release six days prior to activation date to service providers well in advance of that?
 - 6 days is guarantee, have heard may be available to ANPs 30 days out working to make it available ASAP
- FedEx- 6 days does seem a little near in, usually about 2 weeks is expected
 - Point to point routes would be available through numerous outlets as contingency plans
- FedEx-Is Memphis international within 370 miles for call for release?
 - Will need to investigate, these arcs will be turned on and off during the day based on volume into ZHU
 - TMIs (arrival rate likely not MIT) may be in place for first few days to weeks to assist with adjustment to operations
- Delta- new RNAV STARs are going to be flow dependent? Is the expectation to file to that?
 - Correct, unlike many places ZHU only turns the airport around a few times a day, if West flow is filed then should be right more often than not
- United-there will likely not be a requirement to file a specific STAR based on flow or traffic?
 - Correct, don't see operating that way
- Forward any questions to above presenters or Sean.Bodkin@faa.gov

Ray Ahlberg- FAA Headquarters

- Increase in problems with route clearances and routes being flown versus filed, traces back to multiple flight plans being filed for a flight
 - expecting some further action in the future including taking action to make it difficult/impossible to file multiple flight plans
 - FAA systems of checks and procedures will also be studied/improved
 - Prefer users to cancel and refile as needed, once cancel has occurred
 - Flight Plans should not be changed within 30 min window prior to flight departure
 - contact Ray Ahlberg (Ray.Ahlberg@faa.gov) should you have any questions or suggestions

Web Resources & Guidance-

FAA ICAO 2012 website (updated)

http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ato/service_units/enroute/flight_plan_filing/

ICAO FITS website:

<http://www2.icao.int/en/FITS/Pages/home.aspx>

Asia Pacific Region website:

<http://www.bangkok.icao.int/>

EuroControl website

<http://www.eurocontrol.int/articles/icao-flight-planning-modifications-2012>

NavCanada website

www.navcanada.ca/onboard

Next Flight Plan Filers 'Telcon

Date: Wednesday May 7th 2014

Time: 1:00 – 2:00p.m. Eastern Time, 1800 UTC

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