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Memorandum

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Subject: Engineering Brief No. 99A, Changes to Tables 3-2 and 3-4 of Advisory Circular 150/5300-13A, Airport Design

We concur with your request to use the modified departure Initial Climb Area (ICA) for the purpose described in draft Engineering Brief No. 99A. Combined with the January 31, 2020 memorandum titled "Initial Climb Area Obstacle Clarification", this allows the Office of Airports to use the modified departure ICA for both fixed objects and movable objects (i.e. taxiing aircraft) prior to Flight Standards update of related 8260-series directives or Aeronautical Information Services fielding the associated automation tools.

Guidance in Orders 8260.3, United States Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS) and 8260.46, Department Procedure (DP) Program continues to apply to the evaluation, documentation, and publication of instrument departure procedures until revisions to those directives are complete.

Attachment: Draft Engineering Brief No. 99A.

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