Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

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To: Brian Peters, Director (A), Operations Support, AJW-1

From: Joe Walker, NAS Policy & Services Planning Team, AJW-1X

Subject: Cancellation of AC 170-11, Amendment of Federal Aviation Regulation Part 171 (FAR-171) - Cost of Flight and Ground Inspections.

As the Office of Primary Responsibility for the advisory circular, AJW-1X requests cancellation without replacement. This AC was published in 1970, and is no longer aligned with FAA policy.

Background. Title 14 CFR Part 171, *Non-Federal Navigation Facilities,* states that facility owners must bear the cost of commissioning ground and flight inspections. However, in 1970, this requirement was revised to also state that the FAA "may bear certain of these costs subject to budgetary limitations and policy established by the Administrator."

Shortly thereafter, the FAA published AC 170-11, to explain the circumstances under which the FAA would bear the cost of commissioning inspections. At the time, there were only a small number of non-Federal facilities, so the policy change was not an expensive one. In contrast, today there are 2,600 non-Federal facilities, and that number continues to grow.
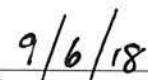
Why This AC Needs To Be Cancelled. The AC no longer reflects the current practice of the FAA, in regards to commissioning flight inspections. The Flight Inspection Program began charging for its services, regardless of the type of flight inspection, years ago. The Program is also looking into the legality of charging for ground inspections. Either way, the Non-Federal Order, 6700.20 can cover these topics.

Required Statements.

- There are no FAA users of this AC, since ACs are written for the public's use.
- Cancelling this AC without replacement will not create a safety impact to the NAS. The AC alerts the public to FAA policy regarding the cost of ground and flight inspections. The policy has no bearing on safety.

Cancellation Accepted:

_Brian P. Peters_____   _9/6/18_____
Brian Peters   Date

Cancellation Not Accepted:

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