



U.S. Department
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**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Office of Airport Safety and
Standards

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Washington, DC 20591

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Dear Industry Representative:

The FAA Office of Airports has recently made draft revisions to Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5300-16B, "General Guidance and Specifications for Aeronautical Surveys: Establishment of Geodetic Control and Submission to the National Geodetic Survey". The draft AC 150/5300-16B now includes the following changes:

1. Modified to recommend establishing Temporary Control.
2. Updated terminology used to express accuracy's (eliminated references to HARN and antiquated methods of reporting accuracy).
3. Updated to require two independent, continuous sessions (of at least 2 hours) on the PACS separated by at least 2.5 hours. This eliminates a "no-check" during the processing of the data.
4. Updated to allow using OPUS Projects tool to perform processing rather than PAGE NT.
5. The format of the document has been updated in this Change, and editorial changes have been made throughout.

We value your knowledge and expertise and look forward to any input that you may have in regards to the AC 150/5300-16B draft changes. Please submit comments in the attached comment matrix by August 10 2018. The AC can be accessed at https://www.faa.gov/airports/resources/draft_advisory_circulars/

Please contact Michael Meyers at (202) 267-8785 or Andrew Goldsmith at (202) 267-6549 with questions or by e-mail at Michael.a.meyers@faa.gov and andrew.goldsmith@faa.gov, respectively.

Sincerely,

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