Briefing Guide FAA Order JO 7200.20A, Air Traffic Organization Voluntary Safety Reporting Programs

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Below are highlights of changes to the 7200.20A which supplements the “Explanation of Changes” on page 3 in the order.

Questions about this order may be referred to the POC, Ernesto Lasen, at 202-267-8876.

This FAA Order JO 7200.20A revision:

a. Expands the Voluntary Safety Reporting Program (VSRP) to include:
   1. FAA contract towers (Safer-FCT); and
   2. ATSAP-X (for bargaining units covered by the Consolidated Collective Bargaining Agreement with NATCA for Engineers & Architects, Aviation Technical Systems Specialists (series 2186), Staff Support Specialists, and the Flight Procedures Team, and managers of these groups)

b. Adds provisions for Safer-FCT and ATSAP-X Event Review Committees (ERCs) to initiate Information Requests;

c. Revises the Facility Manager Roles and Responsibilities requirement in Section 3-1b(1)(o)—at the top of page 18 (to ensure new employees receive ATSAP training within 30 days of arriving at their facility);
   1. This change was established via MOU in 2011 and recently incorporated into the Collective Bargaining Agreement (Article 64, Section 14); it was not part of the original MOU
   2. Since all controllers have ATSAP training, this requirement is for developmental controllers only (and does not apply to transfers from other facilities)

d. Adds a placeholder for the Technical Operations Safety Action Program (T-SAP)—as a new Chapter 6 (which will be developed later);

e. Removes the ATSAP Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreement (formerly included as an Appendix);
   Note: Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreements will still be used—IAW standard operating procedures rather than included in this order.

f. Includes editorial revisions and clarifications throughout the order.