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1. PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE:

Appendix 4. List of Medium and Large Hub Airports

2. BACKGROUND: In response to numerous instances of passengers experiencing lengthy tarmac delays, the Department of Transportation has issued a final ruling titled “Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections,” also referred to as the Three-hour Tarmac Rule, effective April 29, 2010. The final rule requires that each air carrier at “medium” and “large” hub U.S. airports develop a contingency plan that, among other requirements, includes an assurance that the air carrier will not permit an aircraft to remain on the tarmac for more than three hours unless the pilot-in-command determines there is a safety-related or security-related impediment to deplaning passengers or air traffic control advises the pilot-in-command that returning to the gate or permitting passengers to disembark elsewhere would significantly disrupt airport operations. The rule also mandates that the air carrier provide adequate food and potable water no later than two hours after the aircraft leaves the gate in the case of a departure, or touches down, in the case of an arrival, unless the pilot-in-command determines that safety or security requirements preclude such service. The Three-hour Tarmac Rule is applicable to domestic flights. International flights by domestic carriers have some latitude to extend the criteria beyond three hours, to be determined by the carrier. Foreign flag carriers are exempt.

3. EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This change defines medium and large hub airports in order to facilitate the successful management of the requirements contained in the Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections Rule. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.745, Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections (Three-hour Tarmac Rule), effective April 29, 2010.

4. CHANGE:

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Appendix 4. List of Medium and Large Hub Airports

Airport Name/ICAO Identifier	Airport Hub Size	
	Medium (M)	Large (L)
Albuquerque, New Mexico Albuquerque International Sunport Airport – ABQ	X	
Anchorage, Alaska Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport- ANC	X	
Atlanta, Georgia Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport – ATL		X
Austin, Texas Austin-Bergstrom International Airport- AUS	X	
Baltimore, Maryland Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshal Airport– BWI		X
Boston, Massachusetts General Edward Lawrence Logan International Airport– BOS	X	
Buffalo, New York Buffalo Niagra International Airport– BUF	X	
Burbank, California Bob Hope Airport – BUR	X	

Charlotte, North Carolina Charlotte Douglas International Airport CLT		X
Chicago, Illinois Chicago Midway International Airport- MDW Chicago O'Hare International Airport – ORD		X X
Cincinnati, Ohio Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport– CVG	X	
Cleveland, Ohio Cleveland Hopkins International Airport - CLE	X	
Columbus, Ohio Port Columbus International Airport - CMH	X	
Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas Dallas Love Field Airport– DAL Dallas Fort Worth International Airport- DFW	X	X
Denver, Colorado Denver International Airport– DEN		X
Detroit, Michigan Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport. – DTW		X
Fort Lauderdale, Florida Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport – FLL		X
Fort Myers, Florida Southwest Florida International Airport – RSW	X	
Hartford, Connecticut Bradley International Airport – BDL	X	
Honolulu, Hawaii Honolulu International Airport– HNL		X
Houston, Texas George Bush Intercontinental/Houston Airport – IAH William P. Hobby Airport - HOU	X	X
Indianapolis, Indiana Indianapolis International Airport– IND	X	
Jacksonville, Florida Jacksonville International Airport– JAX	X	
Kahului, Hawaii Kahului Airport-OGG	X	
Kansas City, Missouri Kansas City International Airport – MCI	X	
Las Vegas, Nevada McCarran International Airport– LAS		X
Los Angeles, California Los Angeles International Airport – LAX		X
Louisville, Kentucky Louisville International/Standiford Field Airport– SDF	X	
Manchester, New Hampshire Manchester Airport – MHT	X	
Memphis, Tennessee Memphis International Airport– MEM	X	
Miami, Florida Miami International Airport – MIA		X
Milwaukee, Wisconsin General Mitchell International Airport – MKE	X	
Minneapolis, Minnesota Minneapolis-St. Paul International Wold-Chamberlain Airport – MSP		X
Nashville, Tennessee Nashville International Airport – BNA	X	
New Orleans, Louisiana Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport – MSY	X	

New York, New York John F. Kennedy International Airport– JFK La Guardia Airport – LGA Newark Liberty International Airport- EWR		X X X
Norfolk, Virginia Norfolk International Airport– ORF	X	
Oakland, California Metropolitan Oakland International Airport– OAK	X	
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Will Rogers World Airport – OKC	X	
Omaha, Nebraska Eppley Airfield Airport– OMA	X	
Ontario, California Ontario International Airport – ONT	X	
Orlando, Florida Orlando International Airport- MCO	X	
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Philadelphia International Airport– PHL		X
Phoenix, Arizona Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – PHX		X
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Pittsburgh International Airport – PIT	X	
Portland, Oregon Portland International Airport– PDX		X
Providence, Rhode Island Theodore Francis Green State Airport – PVD	X	
Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina Raleigh-Durham International Airport– RDU	X	
Reno, Nevada Reno/Tahoe International Airport– RNO	X	
Sacramento, California Sacramento International Airport – SMF	X	
Salt Lake City, Utah Salt Lake City International Airport– SLC		X
San Antonio, Texas San Antonio International Airport– SAT	X	
San Diego, California San Diego International Airport –SAN		X
San Francisco, California San Francisco International Airport – SFO		X
San Jose, California Norman Y. Mineta San Jose International Airport – SJC	X	
San Juan, Puerto Rico Luis Munoz Marin International Airport– SJU	X	
Santa Ana, California John Wayne Airport - Orange County Airport – SNA	X	
Seattle, Washington Seattle-Tacoma International Airport– SEA		X
St. Louis, Missouri Lambert-St. Louis International Airport - STL	X	
Tampa, Florida Tampa International Airport – TPA		X
Tucson, Arizona Tucson International Airport– TUS	X	
Washington, D.C. Washington Dulles International Airport – IAD Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport – DCA		X X
West Palm Beach/Palm Beach, Florida Palm Beach International Airport– PBI	X	

No further changes to paragraph.

5. **INDEX CHANGES:** None

6. **GRAPHICS:** None

7. **GENOT/NOTICE:** N JO 7210.745, Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections (Three-hour Tarmac Rule), effective April 29, 2010

8. **FORMATTING & PLAIN LANGUAGE REVIEW:** ☒ **HM 3/19/2010**

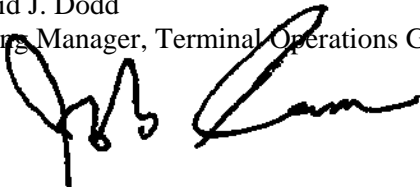
9. **SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT:** (Check appropriate box).

☐ **SRMD.** Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.

☒ **SRMDM.** Proposed change is not safety related.

10. **ICAO DIFFERENCES:** YES ☐ NO ☒


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