## Juneau International Airport



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Rod Swope City Manager City and Borough of Juneau 155 S. Seward Street Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Mr. Swope:

RE: Passenger Fee Proceeds for Juneau International Airport

Again this year, the Airport is submitting a request for a proportionate share of the cruise ship passenger fee to offset impacts to the Airport for services provided to the cruise ship industry and for support to cruise ship passengers and crew. Impacts by the cruise industry and support to the industry are evident at the Airport and the request fits squarely with the purpose and intent of the passenger fee program.

The Airport appreciates the support provided by the Assembly in past years. This current request conforms to the same formula that was used for the past three years. The formula was based on the method the Assembly adopted to compute general fund offsets when the fee was first implemented. The method compares the number of passengers to the overall enplanement count and multiplies that share by a proportional ratio of the budget.

Passengers and crew in 2010	$10,780^{1}$
Total Enplanements last CY (2009)	337,038
Percentage cruise ship passengers/crew to overall	3.20%
FY11 adopted budget	\$4,970,500

3.2% of proposed budget is this year's request of \$ 159,100

Last year, the Assembly approved our request of \$164,000. The Airport continues to welcome and support cruise ship passengers, related tour buses and flightseeing operations based at the Airport. Additionally, the Airport supports the additional Airlift Northwest medivac operations that occur during the tourism season.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> McDowell Group estimates 8,230 passengers and 2,550 crew members. This is a decline from the 2009 figures. Crew members estimated as a 15% decline from previous years by McDowell Group.

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Phase I of the Passenger Terminal Expansion is nearing completion. Additional space as well as design modifications and enhancements have been designed to assist group travelers and luggage handling (bag claim area). The Airport continues to look for ways to enhance service to these groups.

Please contact me if you need further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. deLaBruere Deputy Airport Manager

Enclosures

cc: Airport Board

Merrill Sanford, CBJ Assembly Kirby Day, Princess Tours