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Mr. Michael J. Landguth
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Dear Mr. Landguth:

Re: Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU), Raleigh, NC
Conditional Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Approval

We have completed our review of your updated Airport Layout Plan (ALP) dated October 30, 2017, for the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, Raleigh, NC. We find the updated ALP acceptable from a planning perspective. The ALP was reviewed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and is conditionally approved. This determination does not constitute FAA approval or disapproval of the physical development involved in the proposal. The determination was made with respect to the safe and efficient use of navigable airspace by aircraft as well as the safety of persons and property on the ground.

In making this decision, the FAA considered the following: (1) the effects the proposal would have on existing or planned traffic patterns of neighboring airports (2) the effects it would have on the existing airspace structure and projected programs of the FAA (3) the effects it would have on the safety of persons and property on the ground, and (4) the effects that existing or proposed manmade objects (on file with the FAA), and known natural objects within the affected area would have on the airport proposal.

The FAA has limited means to prevent the construction of structures near an airport. The airport sponsor has the primary responsibility to protect the airport environs through such means as local zoning ordinances, property acquisition, aviation easements, letters of agreement or other means.

The conditional approval (indicated by my signature) is given subject to the condition that the depicted: (1) relocated (or shifted) Runway 5L-23R and its associated taxiways (2) the ultimate extension to Runway 5L-23R and its associated taxiways (3) the extension to Runway 5R-23L and its associated taxiways (4) improvements and expansion to Terminals 1 and 2 (and associated midfield utility improvements) (5) North Cargo and General Aviation area expansion (6) Southeast General Aviation development (and associated proposed Taxiways Y, Y4, and A6), and (7) Proposed Terminal Parking Garage Expansion and Southeast Economy-Rental Car Lot Expansion may not be undertaken without environmental approval by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Notwithstanding, all items of development (proposed future and ultimate development) shall comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policies Act (NEPA) of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). This includes RDU's proposed runway protection zones for future Relocated Runway 5L-23R and Runway 5R-23L Extended. RDU's preferred alternative was detailed in the, "Runway Protection Zones Alternative Analysis Report dated January 30, 2017". Final layout of any proposed development is subject to NEPA analysis and review.

Conditional approval of the updated ALP does not indicate that the United States will participate in the cost of any development proposed. AIP funding requires evidence of eligibility and justification at the time a funding request is ripe for consideration.

Lastly, when construction of any proposed structure or development indicated on the updated ALP is undertaken, it requires a normal 45-day advance notification to the FAA for review in accordance with applicable Federal Aviation Regulations (i.e., Parts 77, 157, 152, etc.). Additional notice is generally beneficial to ensure all statutory, regulatory, technical and operational issues can be addressed in a timely manner.

We are enclosing a copy of the conditional approved ALP drawing for your records. If you have any questions, please contact me at 901-322-8187, or by email at leonard.green@faa.gov. We look forward to working with you on the development of your airport.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure