

Public Notice of Proposed Rule-Making

Pursuant to the Uniform Aeronautics Regulatory Act ("UAR"), and the Rhode Island General Laws, §§ 1-2-3.1, 1-4-1, et. seq., and 42-35-1, et seq., the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) hereby gives notice of its intent to promulgate the Aeronautics Regulations ("the Regulations"). The purpose of the Regulations is to clarify criteria and processes for RIAC approvals and revocations and to establish uniform standards for a variety of civil aircraft operations and activities on airport facilities including, without limitation, standards for airports, aircraft, landing fields, skydiving, ultra-lights, and banner tow operations. The Regulations reference United States Parachute Association Basic Safety Requirements and Federal Aviation Administration requirements, including 40 CFR Part 14.

In the development of the proposed Regulations consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified that would be less burdensome and achieve safety objectives. The proposed Regulations do not overlap or duplicate any other state regulation and will not result in a significant adverse economic impact on small business or any city or town.

Copies of the Regulations are available at all state airports and may also be obtained by calling Ann Urban at (401) 691- 2206. Electronic copies of the Regulations are also available on the RIAC website at the following address: www.pvdairport.com. (select the RI Airport Corporation link and click twice on this link).

Public comment on the proposed regulations may be submitted in writing no later than June 23, 2011 to:

Ann Urban
Rhode Island Airport Corporation
2000 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886

In accordance with RIGL§ 42-35-3, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made by June 23, 2011. If an oral hearing is held the room will be accessible to the disabled and interpreter services for the hearing impaired will be provided if requested 48 hours prior to the hearing. Requests for this service can be made in writing or by calling (401) 222-2224.

Signed May 17, 2011
Kevin A. Dillon, President and CEO