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Greater Rockford Airport Authority
Chicago/Rockford International Airport
C/O Airport Manager
60 Airport Drive
Rockford, IL 61109

RE: Widening of Taxiway A for Group VI Aircraft

Dear Airport Sponsor:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the above project at the Chicago/Rockford International Airport (RFD) has been approved under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The proposed project consists of widening the existing Taxiway A west fillet at the intersection of Runway 7/25 to accommodate a Taxiway Design Group 6 and Aircraft Design Group VI to enhance the operational capacity and efficiency of the airport to allow for larger aircraft to maneuver safely. The project scope includes pavement removal, airfield electrical removal, earthwork and grading, new underdrain, new asphalt and PCC pavement, new airfield electrical, new pavement marking, seeding, and mulching.

Under NEPA, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is required to identify and consider environmental issues when authorizing or approving major actions. Based on the review of the action described above, the undersigned has determined that the proposed actions are specifically categorically excluded from further NEPA review. They fall within the specific items identified in FAA Order 1050.1F 5-6.4(e) and are normally categorically excluded from the requirement for formal environmental assessment. The proposed actions do not involve any extraordinary circumstances.

Note that this transmittal is a notification that these projects have been reviewed and cleared only for purposes of NEPA review. This is not a notice of final project approval or funding eligibility. Failure to comply with all requirements of NEPA may jeopardize your eligibility to receive Federal funds, including reimbursement.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 847-294-7354 or craig.k.pullins@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

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