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TO: Airport Operators, FAA Airport Certification Safety Inspectors

TOPIC: Interpretation of the term "consecutive calendar months" as used in part

139, Certification of Airports

The FAA Office of Safety and Standards has received several requests for the interpretation of the term "consecutive calendar months" as it is used in several sections of Part 139, Airport Certification. In order to insure consistency in the implementation of the term, for both FAA Airport Certification Safety Inspectors and airport operators, AAS-300 is providing the following interpretation as used since part 139, Certification of Airports was published in 2004. Please direct any questions to the contact noted above.

EXPLANATION OF TERM & EXAMPLES:

If an airport operator is subject to an FAA periodic inspection (annual airport inspection) on January 15, 2010, "twelve consecutive calendar months" will end on January 31, 2011. If an airport operator is subject to an FAA periodic inspection on January 28, 2010, "twelve consecutive calendar months" will end on January 31, 2011.

Each part 139 airport required to provide personnel training, table top exercises, full scale emergency exercises, etc. are subject to the scenario provided in the Explanation of Term as noted in paragraph two. All training and the individual components of each training requirement must be completed within the definition of the term "consecutive calendar months." This interpretation is consistent since part 139, Certification of Airports was revised in February 2004.

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