



June 20, 2006

The Honorable Mayor Beverly O'Neill
Members of the Long Beach City Council
333 West Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

JetBlue Airways would like to provide an updated statement with its position on the long-delayed airport terminal rehabilitation project for the city council meeting this evening. By way of this letter, it is my pleasure to submit our statement.

The Long Beach Municipal Airport, built in 1941, was designed to handle 500,000 annual passengers. Today, the airport is struggling with temporary trailer facilities to handle more than 3 million annual passengers *while only 60 percent of the minimum* number of flights permitted under the Noise Ordinance are in use by passenger carriers. The issue is not, as critics have argued, about expanding the number of commercial flights at the airport. Rather, this issue is only about enhancing the facilities to accommodate the minimum number of flights permitted under the Ordinance – a number that could grow by 40 percent today and remain entirely within the bounds of the Ordinance.

After participating in the 13-month Airport Advisory Commission process, learning about the differing proposals and the views expressed in favor and opposition to each, JetBlue supports the position of the Final Environmental Impact Report, as recently studied and approved by the Planning Commission, for a consolidated permanent replacement facility of 102,850 square feet that includes not less than 14 adjacent aircraft parking pads.

Should you have any further questions regarding the position of JetBlue Airways, I would be delighted to provide you with further answers.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Land
Senior Vice President for Government Affairs and
Associate General Counsel

cc: Mayor-Elect Bob Foster
Airport Manager Chris Kunze

Long Beach Airport Terminal Area Improvement
Project Draft
Environmental Impact Report No. 37-03
SCH NO.200309112

December 8, 2005

Angela Reynolds, Environmental Officer
City of Long Beach
Planning and Building Department
333 West Ocean Blvd
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds;

As Chairman of the Long Beach Airport Airline Affairs Committee, I am writing this letter on behalf of all the tenant airline members operating at the Long Beach Airport. Our group is composed of the Property Managers for each of the commercial and cargo airlines that operate at any given airport. As such, we are the designated corporate representatives for each of our respective airlines. The airlines currently operating at Long Beach Airport are: Airborne, American Airlines, Alaska Airlines, Federal Express, Jetblue Airways, United Parcel Service and U.S Airways.

We would like to take this opportunity to go on record as the AAAC supporting the "proposed project" for the Long Beach Airport as it is noted in the specific EIR mentioned above. We all collectively and strongly also support "nothing less" than fourteen aircraft parking pad positions.

Sincerely,

George Keeler, Chair
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Cc
Mayor Beverly O'Neill
City Council Members
Chris Kunze, Airport Manager