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via email and electronic submission

Mr. Kevin Willis
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Federal Aviation Administration
Room 619
800 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, DC 20591

Re: FAA Docket FAA-2003-14246
Airport Privatization Pilot Program

Dear Mr. Willis:

The Board of Commissioners of the Orleans Levee District ("OLD") and American Airports Lakefront, LLC ("AAL") wish to amend and clarify their September 27, 2002 responses to staff questions 16 and 17. Those questions related to the specific exemptions requested, and the amounts of such figures.

First, the response to question 17 indicated that rental rates were set by the airport director, subject to approval of the real estate consultant. Although the airport director and real estate consultant play key roles in determining the rents charged, it is, in fact, the Board that ultimately approves the rental rates in consultation with the airport director and the real estate consultant.

Second, the request for exemption inadvertently omitted the use of certain parking lot facilities at the South Shore Harbor, which the Public Operator will continue to enjoy during the term of the lease. This arrangement is described in section 37.3 of the Lease, and is a continuation of the status quo at the airport. The Public Sponsor's right to use the parking lot facilities is non-exclusive, and, as noted in the Joint Applicants' responses, there are no public parking charges collected anywhere on the airport.

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The Airport currently charges OLD $.48 per square foot for 34,000 square feet of parking lot space adjacent to the Harbormaster Building, totaling $16,320.00 per year; and, $.31 per square foot for 42,000 square feet of parking lot space adjacent to the covered boat slip at SSH, totaling $13,020.00 per year. This totals $29,340.00 per year, which should be included in the request for exemption.

Sincerely,

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