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Mr. Chris Arman
Deputy Commissioner
O'Hare Modernization Program
Department of Aviation
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Chicago, Illinois 60666

Dear Mr. Arman:

O'Hare International Airport (ORD)
Airspace Case No. 2003-AGL-0848-NRA
Review of Draft Airport Layout Plan

We have completed the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Great Lakes Region review of the Chicago O'Hare International Airport Draft Airport Layout Plan (ALP) submitted to the FAA on December 23, 2002, including the ALP-related documentation submitted to the FAA by the City of Chicago on February 7 and March 6, 2003. As you are aware, we submitted to you our initial ALP comments on May 21, 2003. Enclosed are additional FAA comments that supplement our May 21 submittal.

The enclosed comments focus primarily on utilization of the proposed airfield and surrounding airspace from an operational perspective. The comments are arranged in the following two sections: Draft Project Definition Report comments and Draft Airside Simulation Analysis comments.

We are available to meet with representatives of your office to discuss the items in the attached document and to provide any technical assistance necessary to facilitate the City's further refinement of the ALP. If you have any questions or wish to further discuss the attached comments, please contact my office at (847) 294-7812.

Sincerely,

Barry D. Cooper
Manager, Chicago Area Modernization Program Office

Enclosure