

date such proceeding was filed to obtain dismissal of the involuntary petition before becoming a covered air carrier. An air carrier ceases to be a covered air carrier when it emerges from bankruptcy protection.

*Covered airport* means a medium or large hub airport at which one or two air carriers control more than 50 percent of passenger boardings.

*Debt service* means payments for such items as principal and interest, sinking funds, call premiums, periodic credit enhancement fees, trustee and paying agent fees, coverage, and remarketing fees.

*Exclusive long-term lease or use agreement* means an exclusive lease or use agreement between a public agency and an air carrier or foreign air carrier with a term of 5 years or more.

*FAA Airports office* means a regional, district or field office of the Federal Aviation Administration that administers Federal airport-related matters.

*Financial need* means that a public agency cannot meet its operational or debt service obligations and does not have at least a 2-month capital reserve fund.

*Frequent flier award coupon* means a zero-fare award of air transportation that an air carrier or foreign air carrier provides to a passenger in exchange for accumulated travel mileage credits in a customer loyalty program, whether or not the term “frequent flier” is used in the definition of that program. The definition of “frequent flier award coupon” does not extend to redemption of accumulated credits for awards of additional or upgraded service on trips for which the passenger has paid a published fare, “two-for-the-price-of-one” and similar marketing programs, or to air transportation purchased for a passenger by other parties.

*Ground support equipment* means service and maintenance equipment used at an airport to support aeronautical operations and related activities. Baggage tugs, belt loaders, cargo loaders, forklifts, fuel trucks, lavatory trucks, and pushback tractors are among the types of vehicles that fit this definition.

*Implementation of an approved project* means: (1) With respect to construction, issuance to a contractor of notice

to proceed or the start of physical construction; (2) with respect to non-construction projects other than property acquisition, commencement of work by a contractor or public agency to carry out the statement of work; or (3) with respect to property acquisition projects, commencement of title search, surveying, or appraisal for a significant portion of the property to be acquired.

*Issuing carrier* means any air carrier or foreign air carrier that issues an air travel ticket or whose imprinted ticket stock is used in issuing such ticket by an agent.

*Medium or large hub airport* means a commercial service airport that has more than 0.25 percent of the total number of passenger boardings at all such airports in the U.S. for the prior calendar year, as determined by the Administrator.

*Non-hub airport* means a commercial service airport (as defined in 49 U.S.C. 47102) that has less than 0.05 percent of the passenger boardings in the U.S. in the prior calendar year on an aircraft in service in air commerce.

*Nonrevenue passenger* means a passenger receiving air transportation from an air carrier or foreign air carrier for which remuneration is not received by the air carrier or foreign air carrier as defined under Department of Transportation Regulations or as otherwise determined by the Administrator. Air carrier employees or others receiving air transportation against whom token service charges are levied are considered nonrevenue passengers. Infants for whom a token fare is charged are also considered nonrevenue passengers.

*Notice of intent (to impose or use PFC revenue)* means a notice under §158.30 from a public agency controlling a non-hub airport that it intends to impose a PFC and/or use PFC revenue. Except for §§158.25 through 30, “notice of intent” can be used interchangeably with “application.”

*One-way trip* means any trip that is not a round trip.

*Passenger enplaned* means a domestic, territorial or international revenue passenger enplaned in the States in scheduled or nonscheduled service on