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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT and
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
FOR THE PROPOSED HOTEL DEVELOPMENT AT
BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL THURGOOD MARSHALL AIRPORT
LINTHICUM, MARYLAND

The Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) in conjunction with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), FAA Orders 1050.1E and 5050.4B, has completed a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and the FAA issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for a Proposed Hotel Development at Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI Marshall) in Linthicum, Maryland.

The FONSI sets forth the FAA final determinations and environmental approvals for the federal actions necessary to implement the Proposed Hotel Development at BWI Marshall. Issuance of this FONSI signifies that the FAA will not prepare an EIS and has completed the NEPA process for the proposed action. The issuance of a FONSI does not mean that the agency has decided to act, only that it has found that the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the environment.

The purpose of the Proposed Hotel Development at BWI Marshall (the proposed action) is to provide an accessible, high-quality hotel on BWI Marshall property in the Terminal core area within walking distance of the Main Terminal Building in a manner that maximizes revenue for the Airport.

The proposed hotel is needed in order to generate revenue at BWI Marshall. MAA continues to seek additional revenue to support current and future operations and maintenance needs. The lack of walkable, high-quality lodging and conference space accommodations on Airport property translates to missed revenue for the Airport and reduces customer service for BWI Marshall travelers.

The FONSI completes a thorough and careful environmental decision making process. This includes public disclosure and review by the FAA decision maker of the analysis of alternatives and their potential impacts that are described in the October 2013 Final EA. This FONSI has been prepared and issued by FAA in compliance with NEPA (42 USC § 4321, et seq.), its implementing regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), and FAA directives (Orders 5050.4B, Airport Environmental Handbook and 1050.1E, Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures).

This FONSI demonstrates and documents FAA's compliance with the procedural requirements for airport development. FAA arrived at these determinations by considering public and agency comments and reviewing the environmental analysis in the Final EA and all other relevant documents that comprise the EA record.

An electronic copy of the Final EA is available on the MAA website at <http://www.marylandaviation.com/content/environmental/environmentaldocs.html>. Hard copies of

the document are available at the following locations during regular business hours until December 6, 2013:

Federal Aviation Administration
Washington Airports District Office
23723 Air Freight Lane, Suite 210
Dulles, VA 20166

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Office of Planning and Environmental Services
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Linthicum, MD 21090

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