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Report on Compliance for the Passenger Facility Charge Program, Report on Internal Control over Compliance, and Report on the Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Tweed-New Haven Airport Authority

Report on Compliance for Passenger Facility Charge Program

Opinion on Passenger Facility Charge Program

We have audited the Tweed-New Haven Airport Authority's (the Authority) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *Passenger Facility Charge Audit Guide for Public Agencies* (the Guide), issued by the Federal Aviation Administration, that could have a direct and material effect on the Authority's Passenger Facility Charge Program for the year ended June 30, 2024.

In our opinion, the Authority complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Passenger Facility Charge Program for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Opinion on Passenger Facility Charge Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of the Guide. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance" section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the Authority and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for the Passenger Facility Charge Program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Authority's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the Authority's Passenger Facility Charge Program.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the Authority's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards and the Guide will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the Authority's compliance with the requirements of the Passenger Facility Charge Program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, Government Auditing Standards, and the Guide we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the Authority's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the Authority's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Guide, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Authority's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance" section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material control over compliance that we consider to be material control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Guide. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on the Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Authority as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated February 19, 2025, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Guide and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements.

The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of passenger facility charges collected and expended is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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February 19, 2025

Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended

Year ended June 30, 2024

		PFC	Interest	Total		
		Collections	Income	Receipts	Expenditures	<u>Cash Balance</u>
Cumulative total per SOAR as of July 1, 2023	\$	6,644,592	191,113	6,835,705	5,007,122	1,828,583
July 2023		161,153	247	161,400	-	1,989,983
August 2023		163,556	2,694	166,250	-	2,156,233
September 2023		197,015	4,672	201,687	-	2,357,920
First Quarter Subtotal	-	521,724	7,613	529,337		
October 2023		176,289	5,192	181,481	-	2,539,401
November 2023		169,931	4,898	174,829	-	2,714,230
December 2023		164,360	4,764	169,124	-	2,883,354
Second Quarter Subtotal	_	510,580	14,854	525,434		
January 2024		-	5,427	5,427	-	2,888,781
February 2024		251,023	4,807	255,830	-	3,144,611
March 2024		202,427	5,697	208,124	-	3,352,735
Third Quarter Subtotal	-	453,450	15,931	469,381		
April 2024		210,369	7,876	218,245	-	3,570,980
May 2024		206,692	7,680	214,372	-	3,785,352
June 2024		184,562	6,974	191,536	-	3,976,888
Fourth Quarter Subtotal	_	601,623	22,530	624,153	-	
Total for year ended June 30, 2024	\$	2,087,377	60,928	2,148,305		
Cumulative total per SOAR as of June 30, 2024	\$	8,731,969	252,041	8,984,010	5,007,122	

PFCs are remitted to the Authority by airlines via Airlines Clearing House. Depending on the day of the week, bank holidays, and other factors, some months may not show any remittances, while others may show two. The Authority reports PFC revenues in the month deposits are received.

See accompanying notes to these schedule.

Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended

Year ended June 30, 2024

	Cumulative Total as of July 1, 2023	Year Ended June 30, 2024	Cumulative Total as of June 30, 2024
PFC Collections Interest Received Total Collections	\$ 6,644,592 <u>191,113</u> 6,835,705	2,087,377 60,928 2,148,305	8,731,969 252,041 8,984,010
Disbursements App. No. 93-01	983,636		983,636
App. No. 01-02 App. No. 06-03	567,286 780,834	-	567,286 780,834
App. No. 08-04 App. No. 11-05	276,202 310,401	-	276,202 310,401
App. No. 13-06 App. No. 20-07	1,240,855 758,430	-	1,240,855 758,430
App. No. 22-08 Total Disbursements	\$ <u> </u>		<u> </u>

See accompanying notes to this Schedule.

Notes to Schedule of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended

Year ended June 30, 2024

(1) **Background**

The City of New Haven, Connecticut operated Tweed-New Haven Airport (Airport) until July 1, 1997 when the Tweed-New Haven Airport Authority (Authority) was created under Connecticut General Statutes. The Authority now handles all management of the Airport's operations, including complying with all Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reporting requirements.

In 1990, the United States Congress enacted the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act (ASCEA) of 1990, which allows public agencies controlling commercial service airports to charge eligible enplaning passengers at the airport a \$1, \$2 or \$3 passenger facility charge, or PFC. In 2000, the U.S. Congress passed the Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR-21), which allowed airports to levy a PFC of \$4.00 or \$4.50 per eligible enplaned passenger. The proceeds from PFCs are to be used to finance eligible airport-related projects that preserve or enhance safety, capacity, or security of the national air transportation system, reduce noise from an airport that is part of such system, or furnish opportunities for enhanced competition between or among air carriers.

The Authority previously had approval from the FAA to collect and disburse a total of \$4,957,187 from applications PFC #1 - #7. Due to lower than projected PFC collections in prior years, the Authority filed a Change to Charge Effective and Expiration Dates (43C) to extend the collection period for PFC #7 through January 1, 2023.

On November 2, 2022, the Authority received FAA approval for PFC #8 to collect an additional \$5,221,900 through November 1, 2024. On June 3, 2024, the Authority received FAA approval to amend the charge expiration date through January 1, 2025.

(2) **Basis of Accounting**

The Statement of Passenger Facility Charges Collected and Expended is presented on the cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The opening cumulative totals represent the balances as reported in the FAA Systems of Airports Reporting (SOAR).

The information in the attached schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements described in the *Passenger Facility Charge Audit Guide for Public Agencies*. Therefore, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in the basic financial statements of Tweed-New Haven Airport.

PFCs collected represent cash collected for the year ended June 30, 2024 as reported to the FAA. The interest earned represents the actual interest collected on the unexpended PFC balance throughout the year. Expenditures represent quarterly disbursements on FAA-approved projects. Disbursements can be for current period invoices or contractor payments, or reimbursement of prior payments made by or on behalf of the Authority for eligible projects.

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(3) <u>Subsequent Events</u>

On November 15, 2024, the FAA approved an amendment to PFC #8 that increased the impose and use Authority by \$3,050,825, and extended the charge expiration date to March 1, 2026.

On December 10, 2024, Breeze Airlines commenced operations at the Airport, making this the second airline to offer flights from New Haven in addition to Avelo Airlines who have been serving the Airport since November 2021.

Although the Authority made no PFC disbursements in FY2024, a number of projects in PFC# 8 were advanced. The runway snowplow and sweeper were ordered, planning and design of the ARFF station extension commenced, and a number of properties were completed as part of Residential Sound Mitigation Phase 6. Design and construction of the West Apron Rehabilitation was completed by the end of the calendar year. Disbursements are expected to be made on these projects in fiscal year 2025.

(4) Date through Which Subsequent Events Have Been Evaluated

Management has evaluated subsequent events through February 19, 2025, the date the schedule was available to be issued. Other than the above, Management is not aware of any events subsequent to the schedule date which would require additional adjustment to, or disclosure in, the accompanying schedule.

Schedule of Passenger Facility Charge Program Findings and Questioned Costs

Year Ended June 30, 2024

Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results

1. Type of report issued on schedule of passenger facility charges collected and expended.	⊠Unmodified	□Qualified
2. Type of report on PFC compliance.	⊠Unmodified	□Qualified
3. PFC Revenue and Interest is accurately reported on FAA Form 5100-127.	⊠Yes	□No
4. The Public Agency maintains a separate financial accounting record for each application.	⊠Yes	□No
5. Funds disbursed were for PFC-eligible items as identified in the FAA decision to pay only for the allowable costs of the project.	⊠Yes	□No
6. Monthly carrier receipts were reconciled with quarterly carrier reports.	⊠Yes	□No
7. PFC revenues were maintained in a separate interest-bearing capital account or commingled only with other interest-bearing airport capital funds.	⊠Yes	□No
8. Serving carriers were notified of PFC program actions/changes approved by the FAA.	⊠Yes	□No
 Quarterly Revenues and Disbursements reported in SOAR reconcile with PFC fund deposits and withdrawals. 	⊠Yes	□No
10. Unliquidated PFC revenues reported in SOAR reconcile to PFC bank accounts and the Authority's general ledger.	⊠Yes	□No
11. The Public Agency is in compliance with assurances 5, 6, 7 and 8.	⊠Yes	□No

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Schedule of Passenger Facility Charge Program Findings and Questioned Costs

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Section I – Summary of Auditor's Results (continued)

12. Project design and implementation is carried out in accordance with Assurance 9.	⊠Yes	□No	
13. Program administration is carried out in accordance with Assurance 10.	⊠Yes	□No	
14. For those public agencies with excess revenue, a plan for the use of this revenue has been submitted to the FAA for review and concurrence.	□Yes	□No	⊠N/A

Section II – Findings and Questioned Costs Passenger Facility Charge Program

No findings or questioned costs are reported relating to the Passenger Facility Charge Program.