

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****Notice of Intent To Rule on Application (03-09-C-00-SLC) To Impose and Use the Revenue From a Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) at Salt Lake City International Airport, Submitted by the Salt Lake City Department of Airports, Salt Lake City, UT**

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to rule on application.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application to impose and use PFC revenue at Salt Lake City International Airport under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 40117 and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 158).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered in triplicate to the FAA at the following address: Mr. Craig A. Sparks, Manager; Denver Airports District Office, DEN-ADO, Federal Aviation Administration; 26805 East 68th Avenue, Suite 224, Denver, Colorado 80249.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to Mr. Timothy L. Campbell, Executive Director, at the following address: Salt Lake City Department of Airports, 776 N. Terminal Dr., TUI, Suite 250, Salt Lake City, Utah 84122.

Air Carriers and foreign air carriers may submit copies of written comments previously provided to Salt Lake City International Airport, under section 158.23 of Part 158.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Christopher J. Schaffer, (303) 342-1258, 26805 East 68th Avenue, Suite 224, Denver, Colorado 80249, The application may be reviewed in person at this same location.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the application 03-09-C-00-SLC to impose and use PFC revenue at Salt Lake City International Airport, under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 40117 and Part 158 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 158).

On October 22, 2003, the FAA determined that the application to impose and use the revenue from a PFC submitted by the Salt Lake City Department of Airports, Salt Lake City, Utah, was substantially complete within the requirements of section 158.25 of Part 158. The FAA will approve or

disapprove the application, in whole or in part, no later than January 22, 2004.

The following is a brief overview of the application.

Level of the proposed PFC: \$4.50.

Proposed charge effective date:

August 1, 2006.

Proposed charge expiration date: May 31, 2007.

Total requested for use approval:

\$25,459,000.

Brief description of proposed projects:

Concourse E improvements, Concourse B remodel, Terminal Unit II east expansion, Terminal Unit II outbound baggage system, Terminal Unit I bag claim expansion, airfield equipment, and glycol land application piping.

Class or classes of air carriers which the public agency has requested not be required to collect PFC's: All air taxi/commercial operators filing or required to file FAA Form 1800-31.

Any person may inspect the application in person at the FAA office listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** and at the FAA Regional Airports Office located at: Federal Aviation Administration, Northwest Mountain Region, Airports Division, ANM-600, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Suite 315, Renton, WA 98055-4056.

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at Salt Lake City International Airport.

Issued in Renton, Washington on October 22, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Highway Administration****Environmental Impact Statement: Chisago County, MN and Polk County, WI**

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent to terminate EIS.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process for proposed transportation improvements in the Trunk Highway (TH) 8 corridor between Interstate 35 (I-35) to the west in Chisago County, Minnesota and the TH 8/Highway 35

intersection to the east in Polk County, Wisconsin is terminated. The original Notice of Intent for this EIS process was published in the **Federal Register** on May 14, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Martin, Environmental Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, Galtier Plaza, Suite 500, 380 Jackson Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, Telephone (651) 291-6120; or Tod Sherman, Project Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation—Metro Division, Waters Edge Building, 1500 West County Road B-2, Roseville, Minnesota 55113, Telephone (651) 582-1548; (651) 296-9930 TTY.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The FHWA, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (Wis/DOT), has terminated the EIS process begun in 2002 to provide safety, operational and capacity improvements to the TH 8 Corridor from I-35 to the west in Chisago County, Minnesota to the intersection of TH 8/Highway 35 to the east in Polk County, Wisconsin. The original proposed project could have included capacity expansion on sections of TH 8, upgrading existing roadway systems in the Corridor, providing geometric/traffic control access improvements along TH 8, and providing new roadway facilities including some alternatives that utilize the TH 243 bridge crossing over the St. Croix River.

The "Trunk Highway 8 Scoping Document/Draft Scoping Decision Document" was published in September 2002, and copies of the document were distributed to agencies, interested persons and libraries for review to aid in identifying issues and analyses to be contained in the EIS. A 45-day comment period for review of the document was provided to afford an opportunity for all interest persons, agencies and groups to comment on the proposed action. A public Scoping Meeting was also on October 21, 2002. Public notice was given for the time and place of the meeting, and approximately 400 people were in attendance.

As a result of the scoping process, including agency and public comments, FHWA and Mn/DOT, in consultation with Wis/DOT, Chisago County, the TH 8 Task Force and TH 8 Technical Advisory Committee, decided to eliminate alternatives that included proposed transportation facilities on a new location from further consideration. The proposed action has been modified to include only transportation

improvements along the existing TH 8 alignment. Therefore, the FHWA, in cooperation with Mn/DOT, will prepare subsequent environmental documents, either at the Environmental Assessment of Categorical Exclusion level for projects that will provide safety, operational and capacity improvements to the TH 8 Corridor from I-35 to Taylors Falls, Chisago County, Minnesota. The proposed improvements could include capacity expansion on sections of TH 8, and providing geometric/traffic control and access improvements along TH 8. Based on funding availability, the proposed improvements along the TH 8 Corridor could occur in phases. The environmental documents will define and evaluate projects with independent utility.

Coordination has been initiated and will continue with appropriate Federal, State and local agencies and private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have an interest in the proposed action. Public meetings have been held in the past and will continue to be held, with public notice given for the time and place of the meetings. To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the need for an EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2003-16401]

Notice of Receipt of Petition for Decision That Nonconforming 2002-2004 Smart Car Passion, Pulse, and Pure (Coupe and Cabriolet) Passenger Cars Are Eligible for Importation

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of petition for decision that nonconforming 2002-2004 Smart Car Passion, Pulse, and Pure (coupe and cabriolet) passenger cars are eligible for importation.

SUMMARY: This document announces receipt by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a petition for a decision that 2002-2004 Smart Car Passion, Pulse, and Pure (coupe and cabriolet) passenger cars that were not originally manufactured to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards are eligible for importation into the United States because they have safety features that comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with, all such standards.

DATE: The closing date for comments on the petition is December 3, 2003.

ADDRESS: Comments should refer to the docket number and notice number, and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590 (docket hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Coleman Sachs, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, NHTSA (202-366-3151).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A), a motor vehicle that was not originally manufactured to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards shall be refused admission into the United States unless NHTSA has decided that the motor vehicle is substantially similar to a motor vehicle originally manufactured for importation into and sale in the United States, certified under 49 U.S.C. 30115, and of the same model year as the model of the motor vehicle to be compared, and is capable of being readily altered to conform to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. Where there is no substantially similar U.S.-certified motor vehicle, 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(B) permits a nonconforming motor vehicle to be admitted into the United States if its safety features comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with, all applicable Federal motor vehicle

safety standards based on destructive test data or such other evidence as NHTSA decides to be adequate.

Petitions for eligibility decisions may be submitted by either manufacturers or importers who have registered with NHTSA pursuant to 49 CFR part 592. As specified in 49 CFR 593.7, NHTSA publishes notice in the **Federal Register** of each petition that it receives, and affords interested persons an opportunity to comment on the petition. At the close of the comment period, NHTSA decides, on the basis of the petition and any comments that it has received, whether the vehicle is eligible for importation. The agency then publishes this decision in the **Federal Register**.

G&K Automotive Conversion, Inc. of Santa Ana, California ("G&K") (Registered Importer 90-007) has petitioned NHTSA to decide whether nonconforming 2002-2004 Smart Car Passion, Pulse, and Pure (coupe and cabriolet) passenger cars are eligible for importation into the United States. Another registered importer, J.K. Technologies, LLC of Baltimore, Maryland ("J.K.") (Registered Importer 90-006), previously petitioned NHTSA to decide whether 2003-2004 Micro Car Company Smart Passion (glass top and convertible) passenger cars are eligible for importation. NHTSA published notice of J.K.'s petition on June 20, 2003 at 68 FR 37040. The comment period on that petition has closed and the agency is in the process of deciding whether to grant the petition. If the agency grants J.K.'s petition, there will be no need for it to take action on G&K's petition insofar as it seeks import eligibility for 2003-2004 Smart Car Passion (coupe and cabriolet) passenger cars, as those are the same vehicles as the ones covered by J.K.'s petition. If the agency decides to deny J.K.'s petition, it will again determine whether those vehicles are eligible for importation in its consideration of G&K's petition. As part of that consideration, the agency will also address, for the first time, the import eligibility of 2002 Passion, Pulse, and Pure model Smart Cars, and 2003-2004 Pulse and Pure model Smart Cars, since those vehicles were not included in J.K.'s petition.

G&K contends that nonconforming 2002-2004 Smart Car Passion, Pulse, and Pure (coupe and cabriolet) passenger cars are eligible for importation under 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(B) because they have safety features that comply with, or are capable of being altered to comply with, all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.