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Mulder Brings Expertise to NextGen Advisory Committee

Des Plaines, Ill., July 28, 2011— Arlene J. Mulder, O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Chairperson and Mayor of Arlington Heights, is a newly appointed member of the NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC) for RTCA, Inc. Her focus on the committee will be the environment, including noise and emissions.

RTCA, founded in 1935, is a federal advisory committee that works closely with the Federal Aviation Administration. It is at the center of the NextGen effort to develop comprehensive, industry-vetted and endorsed recommendations for the government regarding technical performance standards for aircraft equipment and air transportation policy.

“As a representative of a community located adjacent to Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport, you bring an important and unique perspective on NextGen,” wrote Margaret Jenny, RTCA president, in the invitation to Mulder.

NextGen is an umbrella term for the ongoing transformation of the National Airspace System. It represents an evolution from a ground-based system of air traffic control to a satellite-based system of air traffic management.

Dave Barger, president and CEO of JetBlue, chairs the 28-member NAC committee. Members include a cross section of executives from the airlines, airports, general aviation, pilots, air traffic controllers, Department of Defense, environmental interests, international interests and providers of air traffic control technology.

Mulder attended her first NAC meeting in May in New York City and will meet with the committee Sept. 29 in Washington, DC.

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