

**Twenty Sixth Meeting of the  
Informal South Pacific ATS Co-ordinating Group (ISPACG/26)**

**Nadi, Fiji, 1-2 March 2012**

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**Agenda Item 4: AI 19-1 Flight Plan Issues**

**ICAO 2012 Flight Plan Implementation  
(Amendment 1 to 15<sup>th</sup> Edition PANS/ATM Doc 4444)**

**Presented by Airways New Zealand**

**SUMMARY**

This paper provides an update on Airways New Zealand implementation of the ICAO 2012 Flight Plan.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Airways New Zealand is progressing implementation of the ICAO 2012 FPL. The status of the Airways New Zealand implementation is discussed below.

**2. DISCUSSION**

- 2.1 Delivery of the OCS software for the 2012 Flight Plan is not expected until late March 2012. While this is later than planned we will have until 26 July 2012 for internal and external testing. An AIP SUP will be issued shortly advising that new format 2012 Flight Plan will be accepted by Airways New Zealand from 26 July 2012. The current plan is to install the software on our operational platforms on 25 July 2012 at 0700UTC.
- 2.2 From 26 July 2012 we will be able to send AIDC messages in NEW 2012 Flight Plan format for any FPL that is received in NEW format. Adjacent ANSP are requested to advise Airways when they are able to accept NEW format AIDC to enable OCS adaptation changes to be scheduled.
- 2.3 From 26 July 2012 we will be able to accept AIDC messaging in NEW format. Adjacent ANSP are requested to advise Airways when they intend to initiate AIDC in NEW 2012 format. Airways expects to be able to validate software using off-line AIDC exchanges in 2012 format with all adjacent ANSP before any operational implementation of AIDC using NEW format messages.

- 2.4 Airways are promulgating an AFTN address (NZZZFPLT) that can be used by Airlines wishing to validate their new FPL with the OCS software before commencing operations. This address is available now. Discussions with Air New Zealand indicate that their dispatch manager software for the 2012 FPL will be available late March. The Air New Zealand dispatch manager will be used to validate the OCS software and a test plan will be established with Air New Zealand by the end of April. We intend to approach other Airlines operating in NZZO with a view to further validating our software before operational implementation.
- 2.5 Airways have established an AIDC test platform with AFTN address NZAAOCSA that can be used to validate NEW format AIDC exchanges with adjacent providers. We have validated the exchange of AIDC messaging in CURRENT format with AIDC test platforms at the FAA Tech Center (KACYTEST) and Tahiti (NTSTZQZF). Our intention is to develop test plans with Tahiti and the FAA over the next few weeks to enable validation of the OCS software before our 26 July cutover.
- 2.6 Airways would find it be useful if ISPACG maintained a record of individual stakeholder plans (ANSP and Airlines) with regards to 2012 Flight Plan implementation and invites discussion on whether other ANSP are of a similar view.

### **3. ACTION BY THE MEETING**

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
- a) Note Airways progress on 2012 Flight Plan and AIDC implementation.
  - b) Review ISPACG progress towards the 2012 Flight Plan and determine if an implementation schedule for individual stakeholders is required.