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NGATS INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES STATEMENT OF WORK TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO OPTIMIZE AIRCRAFT SEQUENCING

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Washington, DC – The Next Generation Air Transportation System (NGATS) Institute, in cooperation with the Joint Planning and Development Office (JPDO) and the Environment Integrated Product Team (EIPT) announce the request for proposals for a study focused on the optimization of aircraft sequencing and spacing in terminal areas to increase capacity, reduce fuel burn and emissions, and noise reduction on terminal paths.

The selected contractor will be asked to perform planning and prototype development to establish a terminal area test-bed at a major airport where they should conduct a phased series of flight trials.

NGATS Institute Acting Executive Director Benjamin Corb said of the announcement, “An important step towards moving NextGen forward is the ability to increase capacity in the national airspace, as well as on the ground at airports. This important study will lay the groundwork towards creating a test-bed which will help to determine and identify solutions to critical capacity questions moving forward.”

Those interested in more information about this task should visit the NGATS Institute website for more information, or contact Benjamin Corb via e-mail at ben.ctr.corb@faa.gov or via telephone at 202.220.3357. Bids received after 3:00PM EST on Friday, April 20, 2007 will not be accepted.

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