

Maximum Levels of Airport Charges

at Dublin Airport

Price cap for 2011

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1. The price cap in 2010

- 1.1 This paper examines the DAA's compliance with the maximum level of airport charges set by the Commission in 2010. This exercise is with reference to the price cap formula specified in the Commission's Varied Determination, published on 30 July 2010.¹
- 1.2 The Commission used the information on the DAA's performance with respect to the level of airport charges at Dublin Airport in 2010 using actual revenue and passenger information in the DAA's 2010 regulated accounts.² The DAA provided the Commission with detailed information in respect of the revenues collected in 2010 in respect of each of its airport charges (airbridge hire, aircraft parking, passenger service charge, runway movement revenue and revenues from services related to passengers with reduced mobility) as well as total passengers that used Dublin Airport that year.
- 1.3 The 2010 price cap was €9.31 per passenger at Dublin Airport determined using the formula in the Varied Determination. The results from the quality of service monitoring scheme reduced the 2010 price cap by 1 cent per passenger, as published by the Commission in its report on the results from the fourth quarter of 2010.³ The price cap also increased by 29 cents in 2010 as the DAA met the trigger relating to the new terminal, T2 for 45 days as operations in T2 commenced on 18 November 2010.
- 1.4 According to the information received, the DAA's average revenue per passenger yielded by way of airport charges levied at Dublin airport was €9.26 per passenger. The DAA set airport charges at Dublin Airport in 2010 below the maximum level of airport charges per passenger and therefore has complied with the 2010 price cap.
- 1.5 The under-collection in 2010 will be added with interest to the 2012 price cap through a 'K-term' in the 2012 price cap formula. The 2009 Final Determination on airport charges specifies that should the DAA collect less than permitted, it is allowed to roll-forward any under-collection, provided this is no more than 5% of the total revenues that the DAA was permitted to collect under the 2010 price cap. The under-collection was approximately 0.5% of the 2010 price cap meaning that the DAA can roll-forward the total under-collection into the 2012 price cap.

¹ Commission for Aviation Regulation (2010) "Commission Paper CP5/2006: Decision of the Commission further to a Referral by the 2010 Aviation Appeal Panel", <u>www.aviationreg.ie</u>.

² The DAA's 2010 regulated accounts are on the Commission's website. <u>www.aviationreg.ie</u>

³ Commission for Aviation Regulation (2011) "Quality of service monitoring at Dublin Airport, October – December 2010", 3 February 2011, www.aviationreg.ie

Revenue	(€, 2010)
Airbridge Hire	605,512.66
Aircraft Parking	12,546,432.54
Passenger Service Charge	82,437,075.80
Runway Movement Revenue	72,160,552.92
PRM revenue	3,008,152
Total Revenues	170,757,725.92
Passengers	18,431,064
Average Revenue per Passenger	9.26

Table 1: Dublin Airport average revenue per passenger 2010. *Source*: Dublin Airport Authority