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Commission for Aviation Regulation, 3rd Floor, Alexandra House, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

PWDI RESPONSE

People with Disabilities in Ireland (PWDI) feel that the Dublin Airport Authorities have been transparent, have engaged with stakeholders and are delivering a proper and acceptable service to PRMs regarding their implementation of Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No. 1107/2006.

Furthermore we congratulate the DAA on their inclusive consultation with PWDI and other disability groups on how to implement Regulation (EC) No. 1107/2006. Consultation which included taking on board many issues in the PWDI submission.

Ongoing consultation is of the utmost importance in the continued delivery of this service to PRMs and we would urge the Commission for Aviation Regulations to actively engage with the DAA User Group of People with Disabilities along with other stakeholders.

Furthermore we would ask the Commission for Aviation Authority to ensure that delivery of PRM services are equal throughout Europe and Worldwide by the Commissions role within the European and International Aviation bodies.

Regarding the cost to cover the PRM service being levied on airport passengers at 33c we feel that this has not been a cause for any concern amongst the travelling public and therefore if it sustains the present roll out of PRM services by the DAA then PWDI feel no need to labour on this matter.

Issued on Behalf of People with Disabilities in Ireland (PWDI) By Malachy Foots and Hugh Maguire as the Transport Representatives of the Organisation. 9/1/09

*Please note that due to the Christmas period and the time for responses set by the Commission for Aviation Regulator, PWDI intend to further discuss the Commission Notice 5/2008 issued on 8th December 08 at the first 2009 PWDI Board Meeting in February.

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