

## **COMMISSION TO REVIEW DUBLIN AIRPORT CHARGES**

Mr. Cathal Guiomard, Commissioner for Aviation Regulation, announced today (30 November 2006) that he has decided to review the level of airport charges at Dublin Airport because of the need to take account of the Dublin Airport Authority's (DAA) 2006 Capital Investment Plan, which had not been available to the Commission when setting the current price cap in September 2005.

In the coming days, the Commission will publish, on its website <a href="www.aviationreg.ie">www.aviationreg.ie</a>, a Commission Paper (CP9/2006) together with related papers, setting out the Commission's reasoning for undertaking the review and defining the scope and process of the review.

This Decision concludes the public consultation phase initiated by Commission Paper CP6/2006 published in September last and also reflects the subsequent engagement with the aviation industry on the holding of a review and related matters.

The publication of CP9 commences the formal review process and it will be a matter for the actual review exercise – with full public consultation - to determine the extent if any, to which the price cap on airport charges at Dublin Airport will require to be revised.

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