

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Section § 42-35-2.6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Airport Corporation

DIVISION: N/A

RULE IDENTIFIER: 800-RICR-00-00-6

RULE TITLE: Procurement Regulations

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: The intent, purpose, and policy of these Procurement Regulations was to simplify, clarify, and continuously modernize the procurement system for the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) in accordance with the State Purchases Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 3721, *et. seq.*, so as to provide efficiency and economy in the purchase of goods, services, and construction, while maintaining and safeguarding quality, integrity, fairness, responsibility, accountability, and equity in accordance with the highest ethical standards.

ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE: N/A

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: RIAC accepted the ACLU's comments in relation to this proposed adoption as described below.

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE: Section 6.5.1(A)(3) was added in response to the ACLU's comments to clarify that RIAC is the final determinant of what information is public under the Access to Public Records Act (R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2 *et. seq.*).

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: This regulation is proposed to be repealed and a new procurement regulation is concurrently being proposed for adoption. In the development of the proposed repeal consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant

economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.