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## **IN WAKE OF CURFEW DENIAL BY FAA, AIRPORT RENEWS COMMITMENT TO SEEKING MEANINGFUL NIGHTTIME NOISE RELIEF**

### **PROPOSES FORUM OF STAKEHOLDERS, LAWMAKERS TO EXPLORE LEGISLATIVE AND NEGOTIATED OPTIONS – NEW PART 150 STUDY ALSO PLANNED**

BURBANK, Calif., November 16, 2009 – The Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority today announced that it will continue to seek nighttime noise relief even though its nine-year federal Part 161 Study and Application for a proposed full curfew at the Bob Hope Airport was denied by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) two weeks ago.

Speaking at the Airport Authority's mid-November meeting, Bob Hope Airport Executive Director Dan Feger summarized the action that emerged from detailed analysis and discussion of the FAA decision, to include the following steps:

- The Authority will explore convening a forum of stakeholders, including lawmakers, to consider obtaining a curfew either through federal legislation and/or a negotiated settlement involving impacted constituents.

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## NEW NIGHTTIME NOISE PROGRAM

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- The Authority will also commission a new Part 150 Study to validate its commitment to the Airport's ongoing acoustical treatment program, as well as to identify and pursue other noise abatement and mitigation measures.

"We believe this process will continue to allow the Airport Authority to do the right thing to minimize the impact of this airport on its neighbors," Feger said.

"All of us on the Authority Commission were deeply disappointed by the FAA's decision, but the steps outlined today do hold potential for further progress, and we believe this course of action is the best way to move ahead," added Authority President Joyce Streater.

Feger said that a forum of key stakeholders would allow an effective evaluation of the legislative possibilities, while enhancing the potential for negotiations to lead to meaningful advances on the nighttime noise issue.

He noted that the Authority's Part 150 Study was last updated nearly 10 years ago, and new noise contours based on updated aviation activity forecasts will be important in continuing the Authority's school and home insulation program, which has already reached four schools and 1642 residences at a cost of over \$80 million.