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Levying of charges for aeronautical services - reg. Subject:

Attention of all concerned Stakeholders are invited to the provisions of Section 13(1) (a) of the AERA Act 2008 and Guidelines made under Section 15 of the Act, for determination of tariff for aeronautical services being provided at the Major Airports. It is reiterated that the Airport Operators /Independent Service Providers (ISPs) are required to follow these guidelines meticulously for levying of charges of aeronautical services at the respective Major Airport.

- Recently, it has been brought to the notice of AERA that few Airport Operators (of 2. Major Airports) have been levying some charges for aeronautical services without seeking/taking the requisite regulatory approval, resorting to unethical practices of charging unapproved tariffs from the end users. It is hereby informed that Airport Operators are not permitted/entitled to levy and collect unapproved charges/tariff rates, and, airport users/passengers should not pay for it, and, if so, this would be a gross violation of the provisions of AERA Act 2008 and the guidelines made thereunder.
- Tariff for providing service (s) at a Major Airport, for which aeronautical assets are 3. being used, shall be determined by AERA in accordance with the prescribed guidelines/procedures. In case of any concerns, Stakeholder's including airlines, in this regard, may approach AERA.
- In the above backdrop, all Airport Operators are hereby directed to follow the 4. statutory practice of timely filing Multi Year Tariff Proposal before AERA for seeking necessary regulatory approval of tariff, and refrain from levying any charges on such aeronautical services for which charges have not been approved by AERA.

Director (P&S)