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CHANGE: 2

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1. PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE:

12-1-1, GENERAL

- **2. BACKGROUND:** The web-based OPSNET system was implemented October 1, 2004. GENOT 4/58, Notice 7210.586, Facility Statistical Data, Report, and Forms addressed the procedures associated with this implementation; however, the respective procedures were never incorporated into FAA Order 7210.3, Facility Operations and Administration.
- **3. EXPLANATION OF CHANGE:** This will incorporate procedures for the web-based OPSNET change to reporting requirements and traffic counting methods. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.695, Facility Statistical Data, Report, and Forms, effective July 1, 2008

4. CHANGE:

<u>OLD</u> <u>NEW</u>

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12-1-1. GENERAL

Since the inception of ATC, there has been some method of recording the volume of air traffic activity. The FAA collects this statistical data to be used for a wide variety of reasons, including budgeting, forecasting, planning, facility classification, decision making, programming new equipment, historical analysis, etc. Because of its broad application and national use, it is imperative that the gathering of statistics be both standardized and accurate. A primary use of operational count data is that of determining controller grade levels. As such, it reflects the factors of knowledge and skills required and responsibility involved with the type service being provided. Not every service provided will qualify for an operational count, but those which do are considered typical of the total facility responsibility. Two basic requirements must be met for operational count: first, the facility must be actively working the aircraft, and second, the service provided must qualify using the guidelines established throughout the remainder of this chapter. Facility air traffic managers, therefore, must insure that the intent of the provisions in this

12-1-1. GENERAL

Since the inception of ATC, there has been some method of recording the volume of air traffic activity. OPSNET is the official data reporting system as per FAA Order (FAAO) 7210.55, Operational Data Reporting Requirements. All air traffic facilities, except FSSs, must report traffic count information daily through OPSNET or OPSNET touch-tone interface (OTTER).

The FAA collects and analyzes these data to make decisions with regard, but not limited, to budgeting, forecasting, planning, programming new equipment, public dissemination, and historical analysis. Because of its broad application and national use, it is imperative the gathering of data be both standardized and accurate. Two basic requirements must be met for an operation count: the facility must be responsible for providing service to the aircraft; and the service provided must qualify using the guidelines established throughout the remainder of this chapter. Air traffic managers must ensure that the intent of the provisions in

<u>this</u> chapter <u>is</u> fulfilled.

No further changes to paragraph.

5. **INDEX CHANGES**: None

6. **GRAPHICS**: None

7. GENOT/NOTICE: N JO 7210.695, Facility, Statistical Data, Reports, and Forms, effective July 1, 2008

8. SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT: (Check appropriate box).

Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.

[(For organizations that have not fully implemented SMS), the proposed change is in accordance with FAAO 1100.161, Air Traffic Safety Oversight, Chapter 5, Paragraph 2 requirements.

Proposed change is not safety related.

Comments:

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