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Air Cargo Safety Forum

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Purpose of the Forum



- Identify issues that need to be addressed in the air cargo safety arena
- Includes *all* air cargo operations, not just freight moved on all-cargo aircraft

Industry Overview



- Belly Freight Moved on Passenger Carrying Aircraft
- All-Cargo Operations

Belly Freight



- Freight Generated by Indirect Air Carriers (Air Freight Forwarders)
- Freight Generated Directly by Direct Air Carriers

All-Cargo Operations



- Express Segment
- Heavy Freight Segment
- Regional “Feeder” Operations

Dedication to Safety



**As a practical matter, no company
can stay in business without a total
dedication to all aspects of safety.**

**Air cargo companies are no
exception.**

CARGO AIRLINE ASSOCIATION



Represents the all-cargo segment of
the air freight marketplace

Cargo Airline Association

Members



CAA Board of Directors

- **ABX Air, Inc.**
- **Atlas Air, Inc.**
- **Federal Express**
- **Menlo Worldwide Forwarding**
- **United Parcel Service**
- **Air Transport International**
- **Astar Air Cargo**
- **Capital Cargo International**
- **Evergreen International**
- **First Air**
- **Gemini Air Cargo**
- **Kitty Hawk**
- **Northern Air Cargo**
- **USA Jet Airlines**

All-Cargo Industry Safety Leadership Accomplishments



- CSAP/ACIP Program
- Air Space Modernization
- Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee

CSAP/ACIP Program

- Working together with FAA, Passenger Carriers and Labor to identify and act upon air cargo safety issues
- Standardization and enhancements in areas of cargo loading, handling and training

Air Space Modernization



- Working in concert with FAA Safe Flight 21 Office
- Demonstration Projects using new technologies to increase both safety and efficiency in the air and on the ground
- Gives pilots and controllers better tools to manage air space

FAA Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee



- Industry member participation
- Dedicated to identifying issues and recommending solutions

Thoughts on Specific Issues



- Crew Member Fatigue
- Statistical Analyses

Crew Member Fatigue



- Is fatigue a safety issue?
- If so, what are the causes of fatigue?
- Are new regulations necessary or appropriate?

Statistical Analyses

- Caution that analyses including data from non-U.S. areas with less stringent safety standards may paint an inaccurate picture of U.S. air cargo operations
- Debate should be limited to the U.S. industry and regulatory structure

CONCLUSION



Key to assessing and addressing air cargo industry safety issues is a continuing dialogue among industry, government and labor.