

Strategic Opportunities for International Trade Logistics at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport –

Air Cargo Briefing



Air Freight is Big Business





- Over \$1 trillion is spent annually on domestic US transportation and logistics services
- Air freight accounts for 24 % of the total US merchandise trade value
- \$85 billion air freight & express market
- \$35 billion US domestic market
- Freight traffic growing about 6% per year worldwide
- Market size doubles every ten years



Cargo Industry Players

Supply-Distribution Chain



- Shippers
- 3PLs/4PLs
- Customs brokers
- Consolidators
- Indirect carriers
- General Sales Agents
- Gov postal authorities

- Motor carriers
- Air carriers
- Airports
- Cargo/Ground handlers
- Federal Inspection Agencies
- Consignees



A Changed Role for Cargo Airports

- As the economy recovers, airports with substantial cargo movement should recognize the multimodal nature of cargo and increased role of third party logistics services, and consider an expanded role
- Airports should think of themselves not only as airfields, but as logistics centers that extend beyond the airport fence and embrace regional partnership opportunities
- Airports are becoming network hubs for consolidation and distribution of not just air, but also truck and rail freight



Air Cargo is Vital to Pacific Northwest

Major economic benefits accrue from an efficient transportation logistics industry, boosting trade and increasing regional economic strength.



- More than 160,000 jobs in Washington state are related to air cargo at Sea-Tac.
- Those jobs earned \$8 billion in wages and salaries and contributed \$737 million in state and local taxes.
- Total annual value of air freight exported from Sea-Tac is estimated at more than \$15 billion.

Source: Martin Associates, 2009



Air Cargo at Sea-Tac





*based on 2009 tonnage

Origin and Destination Market Share





International Air Cargo Service February 2011



Air Cargo Market Share



Volume in Metric Tons



Air Cargo Facilities at Sea-Tac

North Cargo Area

South Cargo Area



Top PNW Air Export Commodities

- Electric Machinery, TV & Sound Equipment
- Aircraft & Spacecraft Parts
- Optic, Photo & Medical Instruments
- Machinery & Parts
- Fish & Shellfish
- Fruits & Vegetables
- Footwear
- Plastics
- Plants, Bulbs & Cut Flowers







Positive Attributes: Location & Connectivity



of Seattle

11

International Gateway Hubs





Strategic Roadmap for Sea-Tac

Envision and market Sea-Tac as an International Air Cargo Logistics Gateway

Vision: logistics as a core component of the Seattle economy Goal: Enhance the air cargo volumes by attracting global logistics/manufact uring companies to Sea-Tac airport logistics park

Objective: Strengthen the linkage between on-airport cargo activity and offairport 3PL/4PL activities

Strategy: market Sea-Tac as a single logistics platform to the various links up and down the supply chain



Air Cargo Logistics Study Findings

- Air cargo service is a core component of the Sea-Tac business model
- Port should strengthen physical and institutional linkages between on-airport cargo operations and off-airport facilities and services provided by private sector 3rd-party companies
- Advance strategy by creating "Sea-Tac International Gateway Logistics Center" that would enhance airport cargo operations
- Port-owned properties north of airfield are uniquely situated to accommodate physical movement of cargo to and from airport cargo area
- Properties south of airfield are ideal for attracting 3rd-party value-added logistics services



North Airport Properties





South Airport Properties





Airport Based Logistics Center

- Linkage to the Airport
 - Efficient roadway linkage to Airport and industry clusters
 - Technology linkage
 - Connectivity with
 CPB/TSA/AMS
- Universal branding
 - "Sea-Tac Gateway Logistics Center"
- Common standards
 - design & development
 - property management
 - performance & security



Existing 2009 Freight and Goods Transportation System



Freight Mobility

- All air cargo moves by truck at some point in the journey
- Airport access from point of origin is key
- Keep freight mobility efficient and cost-effective
- Support statewide system investment to serve cargo



On-Airport Facilities Investment





- ✓ Customs and Border Protection (CBP) cargo inspection facilities
 - \$1.3 million
- Off-gate hardstand fueling and power improvements, and expansion
 - → Cargo 6 ramp \$6 million
 - → Cargo 2 ramp \$13 million
- Fuel hydrant system
 completion est. \$25 million



Future Outlook for Sea-Tac

- Air Cargo currently in a growth mode
- Strong and growing international and express sectors
- With overall aircraft operations down at Sea-Tac, airport has capacity to grow cargo
- Focus on International Air Cargo Logistics Gateway Hub strategy as a jobs creator and export promoter
- Maintain and improve on-airport facilities
- Promote efficient and cost-effective regional freight mobility

