LETTER OF AGREEMENT between **ALASKA AIRLINES, INC.** and the **ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT ATTENDANTS-CWA, AFL-CIO**

FATIGUE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN (FRMP)

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This LETTER OF AGREEMENT is made and entered into in accordance with the provisions of Title II of the Railway Labor Act, as amended, by and between Alaska Airlines, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as, "the Company") and the Flight Attendants in the service of Alaska Airlines, Inc. as represented by the Association of Flight Attendants-CWA (hereinafter referred to as "the Association" or "AFA").

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WHEREAS, the Company and the Association are mutually committed to a cooperative, remedial and non-punitive approach to air safety; and

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WHEREAS, to that end, the Company and the Association desire to participate jointly in a Fatigue Risk Management Plan (FRMP); submitted to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

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WHEREAS, the Company and the Association desire to clarify and incorporate into the Agreement certain policies and procedures related to FRMP.

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NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by and between the parties to this Letter of Agreement that:

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A. The Company and the Association will participate in the FRMP, attached hereto.

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В. Fatigue Review Board (FRB):

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1. The FRB will be comprised of four (4) members to include:

38 39 40 a) Two Company representatives from the Safety Department and/or from the Inflight Department; and two alternates.

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2. Compensation for Association Representatives:

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The Company will compensate the Association's FRB a) representatives and any other AFA members for time spent in





participation in FRMP activities, including but not limited to attending FRB meetings, FRMP trainings, business meetings, road shows or other FRMP or FRB related activities, meeting preparation, and remedial actions/coaching/skill enhancement activities. Such compensation will be in accordance with Section 27.P [Company Business Flight Pay Loss (CB)] of the collective bargaining agreement.

- b) The Company will ensure that the Association's FRB representatives and any other AFA members are relieved from scheduling obligations as necessary to participate in FRMP activities that are not able to be conducted at another mutually agreeable time. Any such drops will be at the discretion of the Flight Attendant. The Association's FRB representatives may, at the Flight Attendant's option, submit pre-planned absences prior to bidding for months that include all known and pre-scheduled FRMP activities.
- c) The Company will cover the travel costs associated with any FRMP or FRB related activities, including but not limited to positive space transportation and any necessary hotel accommodations and meals.

3. FRB Operations:

- a) The FRB will establish a policy and procedure manual for operation and conducting business. These policies and procedures will be subject to approval by the Vice President of Inflight (or designee) and MEC President (or designee). Any subsequent changes to the policy and procedure manual must be mutually agreed upon by the Company and the Association.
- b) The FRB will meet as needed to process reports in a timely manner. The FRB will meet at least monthly unless mutually agreed otherwise.
- c) The Company or the Association may designate an alternate FRB member to serve in the absence of a primary member from their respective organization, as necessary.
- d) All four members of the FRB (or their designated alternate) must be present to conduct an FRB meeting. Meetings may be conducted by videoconference if mutually agreed upon.
- e) The FRB will mutually agree on which FRB member will be the first to reach out to a Flight Attendant who submits a fatigue report. The agreed upon process will be documented in the FRB policy and procedure manual.





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96 97 98			f)	If all members of the FRB are unable to achieve consensus on a specific issue, that issue will be referred to a separate escalation
99				panel consisting of the Association's MEC President (or designee) and the Vice President of Inflight (or designee) for resolution. FRB
100 101				members and alternates will not also serve on the escalation panel.
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103 104			g)	If the escalation panel cannot reach mutual agreement, the issue will be resolved in accordance with Section 20 [System Board of
105				Adjustment] or Section 32 [Attendance Policy] at the Association's
106 107				option. If the issue is processed under Section 32 [Attendance Policy], the Flight Attendant may, at her/his option, utilize
108				available sick leave for the TFP value of any scheduling
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111			h)	FRB alternates will attend FRB meetings at least twice each year,
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128 129		2.		a Flight Attendant notifies Crew Scheduling s/he is too fatigued to
130				perform her/his duty assignment, Crew Scheduling will immediately to the Flight Attendant from the applicable portion of her/his
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132 133				nitially code the absence both as fatigue and applicable sick leave sick, sick on line, or short sick call). The rest period will commence
134			at the	end of the call. If the Flight Attendant is not removed from any
135 136				on her/his scheduled sequence as result of the fatigue call, then a eave absence will not be recorded.
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143 144			a)	Rejoin the Flight Attendant to the remainder her/his scheduled sequence if operationally feasible to do so.
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148				available AAG flight(s) to, at the Flight Attendant's option, her/his domicile or co-terminal, the domicile or co-terminal from which
149 150				the sequence departed or her/his registered commuter city/co- terminal. The Flight Attendant will be released from any further
151 152				scheduling obligation.
153 154			c)	If prior to the first departure of the sequence, release the Flight Attendant with no further scheduling obligation.
155 156 157			d)	If on Reserve, return the Flight Attendant to the LTFA list as appropriate.
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172 173	E.	Fatigu	e Repor	t Review
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178 179 180			a)	Operational - Fatigue in which weather, ATC, etc., is a factor(s).
181 182 183			b)	Company – Fatigue in which the action or inaction of the Company was a factor(s) in causing fatigue.
184 185 186 187 188 189			c)	Uncontrollable – An uncontrollable event is a factor in causing fatigue that could not reasonably be planned for, avoided, or prevented by the Flight Attendant reporter and occurred while offduty (during a RON). Examples include, but are not limited to: hotel problems (e.g., noise, temperature, fire alarm), ground transportation problems, environmental problems, etc.
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191		d)	Personal – An uncontrollable event is a factor in causing fatigue
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194			to work (i.e. free of scheduling obligation). Examples include, but
195			are not limited to: housing problems (e.g., noise, temperature,
196			fire alarm), transportation problems, environmental problems (e.g.
197			barking dog), etc.
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199		e)	Other – A fatigue event in which none of the preceding
200		•	categories, a), b), c) or d) were a factor in the fatigue event.
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202	2.	Fatiqu	ue events categorized as a, b, or c above will not cause a reduction
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208	3.	Fatiqu	ue events that are categorized as Personal will be unpaid. A Flight
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210			ed sick leave, vacation, or longevity PTO. Such events will not
211			e attendance points under Section 32.E [Control Procedure] or
212			a Flight Attendant's ability for record improvement under Section
213			[Record Improvement].
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215	4.	Fatio	ue events that are categorized as Other will be unpaid. A Flight
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221	5.	Fatio	ue calls received by Crew Scheduling less than two hours (2:00)
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224			sponding attendance points will be applied. If the fatigue event was
225			mined by the FRB to be a contributing factor in the short call, the
226			sponding attendance points and occurrence will be removed.
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228	6.	ΔII fat	igue events will initially be processed as a paid absence. Subject to
229	0.		RB's categorization of the fatigue event, the Flight Attendant's pay
230			e fatigue event will be reconciled. All reports will be processed and
231			econciled in a timely manner so as to ensure that the Flight
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23 4 235	7.	Shoul	d a Flight Attendant fail to submit a fatigue report within forty-eight
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230 237			d following a fatigue call, any flight time removed will result in the
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fatigue calls will remain coded to sick leave and attendance points, if applicable, will accrue under Section 32.E [Control Procedure] which may affect a Flight Attendant's ability for record improvement under Section 32.G [Record Improvement]. If a Flight Attendant submits a report after the initial filing deadline that is subsequently accepted by the FRB in accordance with paragraph D.6 above, the fatigue call will be re-coded in accordance with paragraph E.2, E.3 or E.4 as appropriate.

- 8. After conducting an initial review, should the FRB determine that a submitted report is not fatigue related, they will contact the submitter with further instruction (i.e., report may be appropriately submitted as an ASAP or other safety related event). These events will be referred to the Managing Director of Inflight Operations (or designee) for processing. The Flight Attendant's AFA LEC President will be notified of any such reports.
- 9. Should a Flight Attendant fail to submit a fatigue report within forty-eight hours (48:00) after the completion of the first ten hour (10:00) rest period following a fatigue call or the FRB determines that a submitted report is not fatigue related, the Company will notify the Flight Attendant that a report for the fatigue event has not been accepted. Notification will be by contact at both her/his primary telephone number and company email. The email notification will include the following:
 - a. How to re-code sick leave if a different code is more appropriate (e.g. sick family, sick child, FMLA, etc.).
 - b. How to submit a Quarterly Point Reduction form and the corresponding submission timeline. A Quarterly Point Reduction form must be submitted within 4 days (not including the date of notification) or by the end of her/his next sequence following notification as indicated above, whichever occurs last.

F. FRMP and Discipline

1. Flight Attendants are encouraged to report any event or observation they feel identifies a potential safety hazard related to fatigue. One of the key ingredients to reporting is an incentive for individuals to report these events so that appropriate risk identification and hazard correction is done. Flight Attendants, who submit a report or are identified in a report submitted by another individual, to the FRMP program, will not be subject to disciplinary action other than applicable attendance points referenced in E [Fatigue Report Review] above. Reports submitted to the FRMP or any of its contents will not be used to initiate or support any Company disciplinary action. Based on information acquired outside of the FRMP program, the Company retains the right to investigate suspected abuse of fatigue calls and/or may issue discipline reliant upon such outside information.









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- 3. Each and every remedial action and/or coaching/skill enhancement session recommended by the FRB will be treated as learning tools for the Flight Attendant, and these recommended coaching/skill enhancement sessions will not be considered tests or checks of skills relevant to pass/fail criteria or outcomes.
- 4. Remedial action and/or coaching/skill enhancement sessions assigned by the FRB will be considered "Other Company Required Training" under Section 30 [Training] for purposes of pay and scheduling.
- 5. Remedial action and/or coaching/skill enhancement sessions will not be conducted as Computer Based Training (CBT).
- 6. By default, attendance points assessed for fatigue absences will follow the same process as "Reported Illness or Sick Leave On-Line After or Without Using Quarterly Point Reduction" pursuant to Section 32.E [Control Procedure]. If the subsequent Fatigue Report is accepted by the FRB and categorized as Operational, Company, Uncontrollable, or Personal per E.1 [Fatigue Report Review] above, the corresponding sick leave code in the Crew Scheduling System, attendance points, and the occurrence will be removed.
- 7. Notice of disciplinary action related to attendance points arising out of a fatigue reporting event will be deemed to be timely if taken within twelve (12) days, as defined in 19.C.2 [Grievance Procedures General], of the date the fatigue report is categorized by the Fatigue Review Board.

G. Conversations or Interviews

The Company and the Association agree that any information acquired through conversations or interviews that are conducted as part of the FRMP program or that are conducted by the FRB related to an FRMP report will not be used in disciplinary actions.

H. NASA ASRS Reporting

Participation in the FRMP program should allow for participation in the NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System (ASRS), as described in FAA Advisory Circular 00-46, as amended. Upon receipt of an FRMP report from a Flight Attendant the Vice President of Safety (or designee) will immediately forward a copy of the report to NASA for inclusion in ASRS. The Vice President of Safety assumes the responsibility of fulfilling the ten-day ASRS reporting requirement.

All other provisions of the collective-bargaining agreement remain in full force and effect.









335 336 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this LETTER OF AGREEMENT this 337 2nd day of June 2020. 338 339 FOR: FOR: 340 ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT 341 ATTENDANTS-CWA, AFL-CIO ALASKA AIRLINES, INC. 342 343 DocuSigned by: DocuSigned by: 344 Sara Milson Carmen Williams 345 -3F527CD367324AE. 346 Sara Nelson Carmen Williams 347 **International President** Interim Vice President, Inflight 348 Managing Director, Labor Relations 349 350 DocuSigned by: 351 352 DBD157D5D5694AB 353 Jeffrey Peterson 354 Master Executive Council President 355 356 357 DocuSigned by: 358 kimberly Chaput 359 360 Kimberly Chaput 361 Senior Staff Attorney