



## The Chicago Rockford International Airport

### Leading US & International Airport

- É 2nd fastest-growing air cargo airport in the U.S.
- É 19th fastest growing cargo airport in the world
- É 18th largest cargo airport in the US
- É 85th largest in the world for cargo tonnage

### Modern Facility

- ˆ 24/7 FAA Air Traffic Control Tower and ground handling
- ˆ 2 Hard-surface runways of 10,000 ft long x 150 ft wide (primary) and 8,200 ft long x 150 wide (secondary) with 40 ft paved shoulders
- ˆ Cat III/II Instrument Landing System (ILS) allows landing in zero visibility conditions
- ˆ International Arrival Gate
- ˆ U.S. Customs Port of Entry and Transportation Security Agency based at RFD
- ˆ De-icing fluid retention and processing facility on-site

### Cost Efficient

- É Free aircraft parking
- É Landing fees 55% less expensive than O'Hare International Airport (ORD)
- É Centralized purchasing of fuel
  - ó Jet A underground fuel pipeline plus 1,900,000 gallons of above ground fuel storage farm
- É Limited toll road costs for ground transportation
- É Less fuel burnt
  - ó Uncongested airspace means no stack time
  - ó Approximately 15 minutes from commit to land to cut engines
  - ó No congestion on roads
- É Same day onsite Centralized Examination Station (CES) service available, 1-2 days faster than Chicago

### Capabilities

- É Independent airspace from O'Hare, Midway, Chicago/Gary, Mitchell Field (Milwaukee)
  - ó Allows for straight in+approaches
- É Accommodates largest aircrafts flying: Airbus A380, Antonov 225 and 747-800
- É Non-stop service to Europe, Africa, Asia, Middle East and South America
- É Severe weather operations
  - ó RFD has NEVER closed due to snow!



### Services

- É Foreign Trade Zone Benefits (FTZ #176)
- É 24/7 customs and federal inspections
- É Multiple FBO's means a full spectrum of aviation related services
- É USDA inspections
- É 6,600 acres in the Global Trade Park
  - ó 3,000+ acres of airport land for development
  - ó 200+ airside acres
  - ó 2,000+ acres for industrial and commercial projects

### Air Cargo Aggregators

- É UPS
  - ó 2nd largest US air hub
  - ó Two-shift next day air service
  - ó Multiple daily Flights
  - ó Six expansions since 1994 . 570,000 sq. ft.
- É BAX Global
  - ó 25,000 sq. ft. regional sort facility
  - ó Multiple daily flights
- É DHL
  - ó 20,000 sq. ft. regional sort facility
  - ó Multiple daily flights

FTZ Fact - If a company imports over \$1 million dollars of inventory annually, there is a very high likelihood that they could save a substantial amount of money. Some Rockford Area companies are realizing **savings in excess of \$250,000 annually** by beginning to utilize **FTZ benefits**.

**Well Located for Distribution Efficiency**

- É 13,100,000 people within a 2 hour drive
  - ó Access to 80% of all U.S. households within a 24 hour truck drive
  - ó 58 nautical miles northwest of ORD
  - ó 75 minute drive from ORD
- É Located 30 minutes north of Rochelle Global III Intermodal Hub
  - ó It is the Union Pacific Railroad Corporation's largest Intermodal Hub
- É Located in I-39 Corridor with easy access to all major highways and interstates
  - ó I-39 Corridor provides the connection of I-90, I-94, I-80, I-88 with interstates I-74, I-55, I-70, I-57, I-64

**Chicago Rockford International Cargo Center**

- É Phase I
  - ó Grand opening April 15, 2009
  - ó Building size 72,000 sq. ft.
  - ó Electrical: 1200 amps, 480/277 volts
  - ó Exterior truck docks: 20, fully equipped
  - ó Drive-in doors: 4 . grade level, 16qx 20q
  - ó Parking: 100 cars . expandable
  - ó Trailer parking available
- É Full Build-Out
  - ó 400,000 sq. ft.
  - ó 30 acres
  - ó 10 747-800 size spaces



**Cost Comparison Based on a 747-400 Flying One Flight Per Day**

	ORD	RFD
Landing	\$3,288	\$1,112
Parking	\$600 (for first 4 hours)	\$0
Taxiing	20-40 minutes	Under 5 minutes
Annual Costs	\$1,419,120	\$405,880

Estimated savings: 60% over ORD

**5-Year Summary of RFD Continued Cargo Growth**

Year	Landed Weight	FAA Ranking
2007	1,474,574,465	18
2006	1,391,634,140	22
2005	1,392,559,040	25
2004	1,353,512,752	24
2003	1,250,700,384	26

- É Moves more than 1/3 the volume ORD moves
- É Moves more than Boston (BOS), Seattle (SEA), Portland (PDX), and Phoenix (PHX)



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