The IAMAW, District 143 today announced a tentative agreement with Alaska Airlines that covers the carrier's 2,700 Clerical, Office and Passenger Service (COPS) employees.

The highlights of the agreement are as follows:

Economic Enhancements

- Duration-three (3) year term amendable January 1, 2014
- General Wage increases: January 1, 2011-1.5% increase

January 1, 2012-1.5% increase

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- **Signing Bonus**-\$1500.00
- Lump Sum payment-\$500.00 January 1, 2014
- Performance Based Pay (PBP)-Participation for 2010 and beyond
- **Longevity**-Increased \$0.02 beginning year 6 to a maximum \$0.20.
- Clerical Grade C-Extended from 8 steps to 12
- Operations Agent-Moved to Agent Grade A pay scale
- Health Care-remain at 82%/18% cost share with 15% annual cap

Other Enhancements:

- **Job Security**-No employee employed on Date of Signing or approved leave of absence will lose employment, be required to change cities, or suffer a reduction in pay, as a direct result of subcontracting. This protection will remain in effect one (1) year beyond the amendable date.
 - Employees whose work is eliminated by subcontracting will have the choice to retain employment or opt for a severance package-One (1) week pay for every year of service.
- Management Assist-Management Assist Letter of Agreement #11, 2006 restored. This provision will expire January 1, 2015.
- **Home Agent**-Increased voluntary participation to 80%.
- **New Union position-**Contract Services Lead-will be utilized to oversee station operations in subcontracted stations. Base pay plus \$4.25 differential.
- Uniforms-Company paid uniforms for new hires and a uniform bank for all employees replacement pieces.
- **Field Service**-New language establishing a field service procedure.