

## **ACC/FAA INTERFACE**

ACC held a number of meetings with FAA leaders such as Ben DeLeon, Mike O'Donnell, Sue Schalk, Danielle Rinsler, Jeffrey Breeden, Janelle Barrileaux and Ralph Thompson. These strategic meetings covered a wide array of topics including FAA industry outreach, ADO Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), international engagement, updates to the AC 150/5070-6B on Airport Master Plans, and sustainability programs.



## **ACC/ICAO INTERFACE**

In late May, Paula Hochstetler met with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) leaders at their headquarters in Montreal with ACC Board of Directors Vice Chair David Peshkin with Applied Pavement Technology, Board Member Roddy Boggus with Parsons Brinckerhoff, and Global Business Summit Chair Steve Pelham with RS&H. One of the primary topics of the meeting was ICAO's procurement process. Between 300 and 400 companies were awarded airport project contracts by ICAO during 2012. Approximately 40 percent of those contracts were for services and training, the remainder were for equipment. As part of ICAO's initiative to make their procurement process more transparent, interested parties can now register to be electronically notified of projects for a cost of \$300 per year. They may also instead independently check ICAO's website, www.ICAO.int.

## **AACC YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (YP) FORUM**

ACC's Young Professional Forum is underway with over 80 YPs participating. Solicitations for membership in the forum were sent out in March, and the group held its first conference call in June. Members expressed an interest in receiving technical training, and a number of potential webinar topics were explored. Plans are also underway to expand the YP program at the 2014 symposium. ACC is excited about the September submissions of the ACC Young Professionals Innovation Competition (see page 11). Sponsored by the Arnold W. Thompson Charitable Trust, the purpose of this competition is to encourage networking and innovative thinking among young professionals who are involved in the development and operations of airports. Submissions will provide innovative ideas that further airport development globally and address current and future challenges, can be technical, operational or regulatory in nature and can address any aspect of airport development (e.g. planning, design, construction, asset management, sustainability, finance, IT, customer service).





## **SECURITY MANUFACTURERS COALITION UPDATE**

The ACC Security Manufacturers Coalition held a number of high-profile meetings with key staff from the TSA, including Office of Security Capabilities Assistant Administrator John Sanders and Acquisitions Director Karen Shelton Waters. In-depth discussions are taking place to identify reforms to the TSA testing and evaluation process. The coalition also submitted a written statement for the record of a House Transportation Security Subcommittee hearing on TSA acquisitions.

