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Regular MEC Meeting: The MEC Regular Meeting is in ATL, Nov. 12-15, Renaissance Atlanta Midtown Hotel, 866 W. Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, GA, 30308. Pilots are always welcome. Open speaking time is allotted on Wednesday, Nov. 13, noon. Contact your LEC representative if you wish to address the MEC at this time.

Special MEC Meeting: The Delta MEC will hold a special MEC meeting Monday, December 9th beginning at 3 pm EST in Atlanta, GA. It is scheduled as a two day meeting. The location is yet to be determined. The agenda for this meeting is a single item: election of the Delta Master Chairman.

Master Chairman Election: An election for the Delta MEC Master Chairman will take place at the December 9- 10 Special MEC meeting in Atlanta. The term begins immediately following the election through December 2014. If you are interested in running for this position, please contact your LEC representative or call the MEC office at 1-800-USA-ALPA. The MEC will cover a candidate's expenses at the meeting, but not flight pay loss.

Benefits Open Enrollment: Delta open enrollment for benefits began on Wednesday, November 6th and will end at 11:59 pm on Wednesday, November 27th. Many helpful documents and tools are available on Delta Net and from the Delta MEC R&I Specialist. The 2014 Open Enrollment for Benefits Webcast (46 minutes) has been posted on the Delta MEC website, under the Retirement & Insurance Committee Tab. Look for the camera icon for R&I Webcasts. A copy of the slide deck is provided for printing.

Know your contract! A pilot may be awarded a white slip in the current bid period that will create an FAR and/or PWA conflict with a rotation in the next bid period. The conflicting rotation in the next bid period will be removed from the pilot's line without pay! A pilot should not submit a WS request for the current bid period that creates a conflict with a rotation in the next bid period unless he wants the other rotation to be dropped without pay. There will be no warning in iCrew when submitting the WS request! (Reference PWA Section 23 P. 7. f. Exception two)

FAR Part 117 Scheduling Alerts Revised! Scheduling Alerts 13-07 and 13-08 have been rescinded, and will be replaced with Scheduling Alerts 13-07-1 and 13-08-1. Watch for the replacements in your inbox and on the ALPA website soon. We regret any confusion this may have caused, but the replacements reflect the most current understanding of FAR Part 117, and specifically the concepts of "theater" and "acclimated."

FAR Part 117 Implementation Date May Change: Some December bid packages will contain rotations that carry out into January 2014 and will be affected by FAR Part 117. The company received FAA approval for early transition to FAR Part 117 on January 1st instead of January 4th. Please consider the effects of the new rules and bid accordingly.

Upcoming Council Meetings:

Council 20, Monday, November 11, noon - 3pm, McNamara Terminal, DTW, Crew Lounge

Council 54, Monday, November 11, 9:30am - noon, The Conference Center at SeaTac Council 81, Tuesday, December 3, 10am - 2pm, Hilton Salt Lake City Airport Council 66, Thursday, December 5, 2pm, JFK Terminal 4 Station Meeting Room

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