PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Federal Express Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO) facility consists of a hangar capable of accommodating one wide-body aircraft, such as a Boeing 747. The project also includes a ramp, taxiway, road, utilities and landscaping. The hangar is supported by a fire suppression pump house and water storage facility, which was constructed as part of this project.

PROJECT HISTORY

Federal Express had a ground lease agreement at the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport (TSAIA), which was conveyed to AIDEA. Federal Express management realized the potential to enhance their Anchorage operation by being able to perform line maintenance on their fleet of 747 aircraft operating through Anchorage.

CURRENT STATUS

September 2019

Mechanical and electrical upgrades to the maintenance facility were completed in September 2017. Completion of these improvement fulfilled AIDEA’s obligations to the FedEx hangar per the sublease agreement signed 27 March 2015. We performed our annual site visit in October of this year, reviewing the integration and performance of these recent improvements. Overall, the building continues to perform well and meets FedEx’s operational needs in Alaska.
and approached AIDEA to finance the facility. The facility was completed in 1995 and Federal Express signed a 20-year lease with AIDEA for use of the Aircraft Maintenance Facility and adjacent Fire Suppression Facility. The lease expired in March 2015, and the AIDEA Board approved the new lease through July 2023.

**BUDGET/FINANCE**

Tax-exempt bonds ($28 million) sold by AIDEA in September 1992, along with AIDEA funds, financed the project. The construction budget was $30.75 million. The investment has been repaid through user fees. On 20 June 2002 the remaining outstanding bonds at the time - $20,540,000 - were refunded through the issuance of $20,475,000 of refunding bonds at lower rates. All remaining outstanding bonds were called in April 2012.

**PROJECT/ ECONOMIC BENEFITS**

This projects strengthens Alaska’s role as an international air crossroads by improving basic services for air carriers serving Alaska. The facility created approximately 41 maintenance and 15-18 facilities management jobs that cycle to the hangar, when needed, to perform their duties. FedEx brought to Alaska a pilot base providing a direct infusion of income into the Alaska economy. The project demonstrates the significance of the Federal Express operations at Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport to their overall business.

**PARTNERS**

*Facility Owner*: AIDEA  
*Land Owner*: Alaska DOT & Public Facilities  
*User*: FedEx  
*Operator*: FedEx