



## FAA NEXTGEN DATA COMM

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## TOWER SERVICE: CPDLC DCL NEW OPERATOR INTRODUCTION

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Voice communication frequencies between pilots and air traffic control (ATC) are becoming increasingly congested and will not be able to accommodate the projected increase in air traffic demand. Use of data communications (Data Comm) to supplement some routine voice communications will increase efficiency, capacity, and safety.



## Data Comm Overview

**Provides data communications between the cockpit and controllers to supplement voice communications**

*Air traffic control (ATC) clearances, instructions, traffic flow management, flight crew requests and reports*

*Provides direct link between ground automation and flight deck avionics*

**Transformational program critical to the success of NextGen operations**

*Provides infrastructure supporting other NextGen programs and operational improvements*

*Enables efficiencies not possible using current voice system*

# Program Services Roadmap



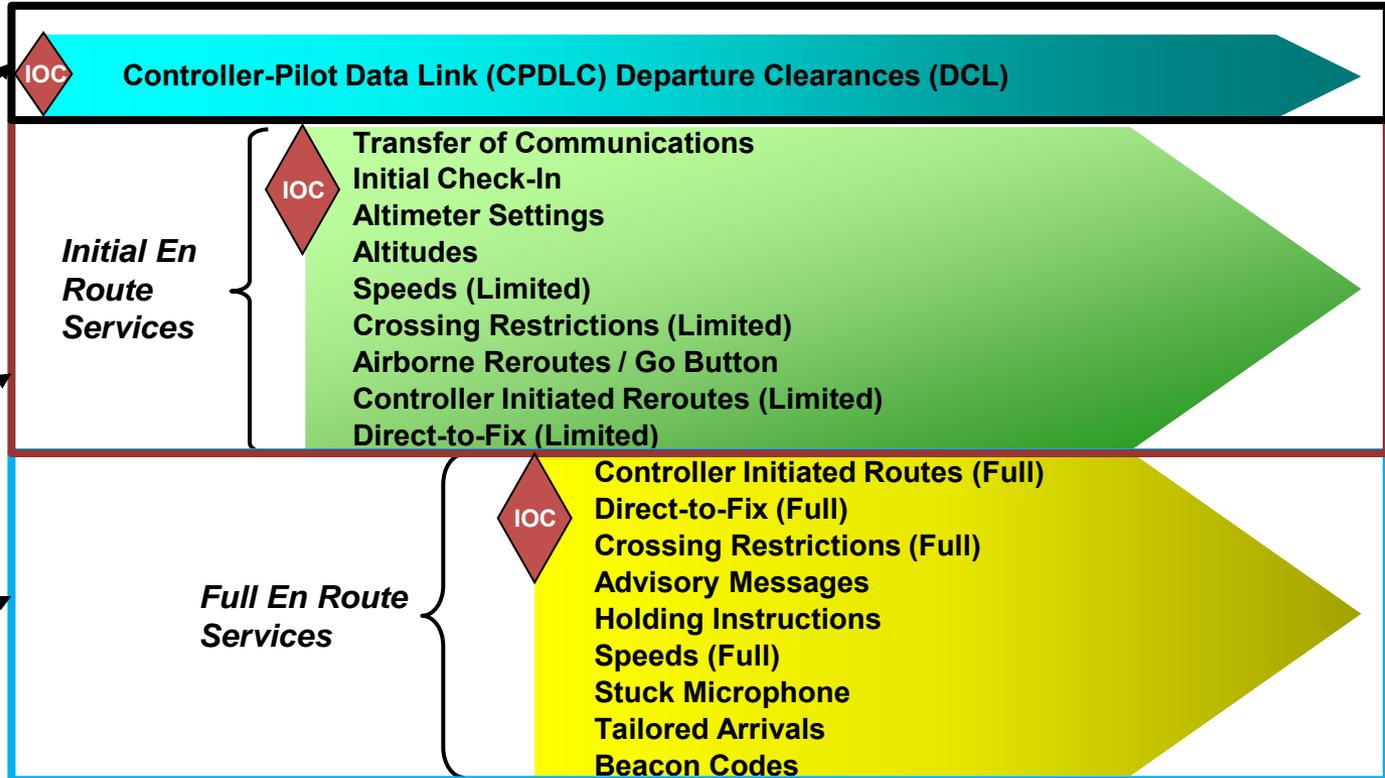
Segment 1 Phase 1  
- Tower Service

Segment 1 Phase 2  
- En Route Services

Baselined  
May 2012

Baselined  
October 2014

To be Baselined  
FY2016



Avionics

FANS 1/A over VDL-2 transitioning to ATN

Ground System

Future Air Navigation System (FANS)

Aeronautical Telecommunications Network (ATN)

Segment 2  
- Advanced Services



# Benefits of Data Comm



Reduce communication time between controllers & pilots

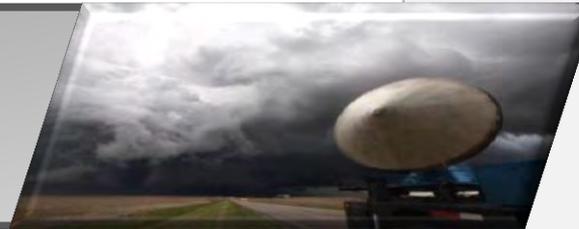


## Throughput/Efficiency



- Delay
- Fuel Burn

Improve re-routing around weather and congestion



## Controller Pilot/Efficiency



- Communication Time
- Controller Workload

Increase flexibility and accommodation of user requests



## Environmental



- Emissions (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Enable NextGen Initiatives & Trajectory-Based Operations



## Safety



- Read/hear back errors
- Loss of Comm events

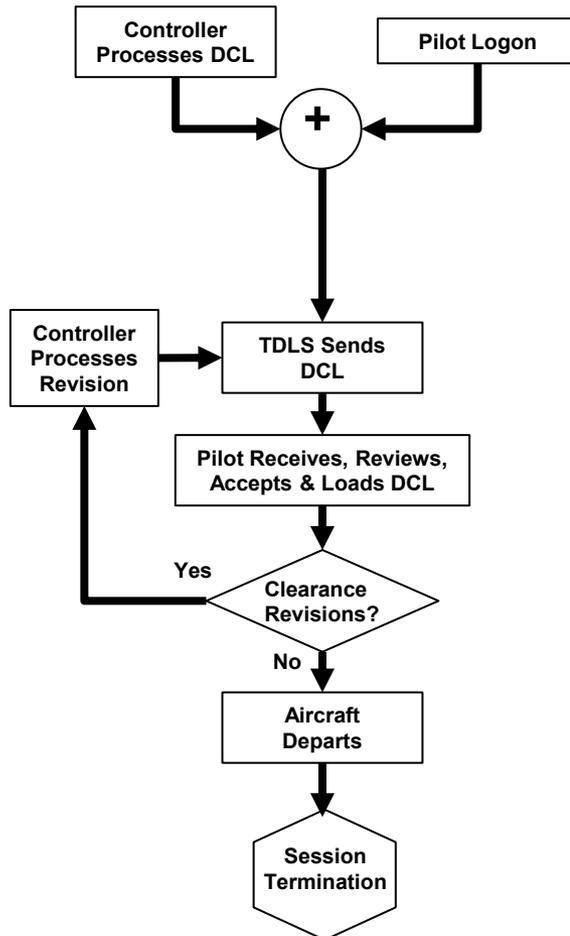
## CPDLC DCL

- Cleared as filed
  - Flight Crew logs into airport at any time (Session established when next step occurs)
  - As Clearance Delivery approves flight plan, a session will be established and the clearance is sent directly to flight deck
  - For operators with a Flight Operations Center (FOC), dispatch copy of clearance and pilot response is sent to FOC.
- Revisions to clearance
  - Revised clearances are sent directly to flight deck.
  - Able to be loaded by crew.
  - For operators with an FOC, dispatch copy of all revisions and pilot responses are also sent to FOC.

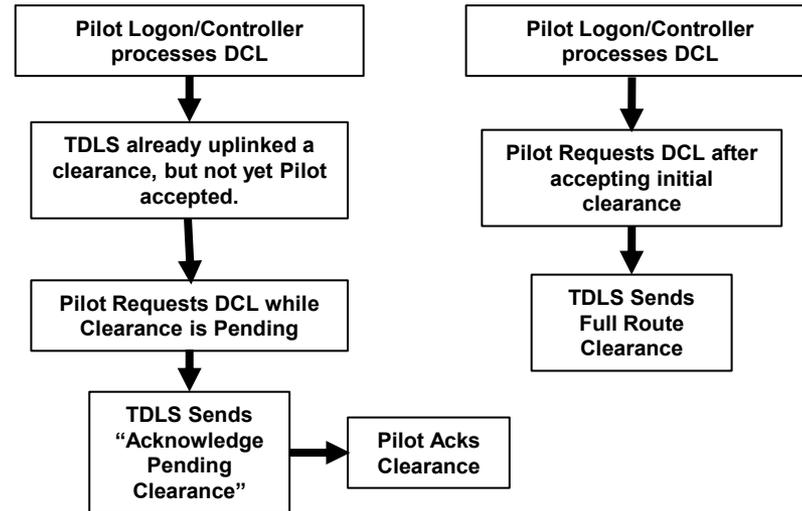
## Pre-departure Clearance (PDC)

- Flight cleared as filed
  - PDC is delivered to operator via service provider (e.g., ARINC/SITA)
  - If operator has an FOC, then FOC may be responsible for getting the clearance to the flight deck
- Revisions to clearance
  - Prior to P-30, PDC is not sent and clearance is delivered via voice.
  - After P-30, PDC is cancelled and new clearance is delivered via voice.

## Normal Push-DCL Operations



## Non-normal Push-DCL Operations Examples



# Operator Steps to Participation



- Determine equipage
  - FANS 1/A and VDL Mode 2 or VDL Mode 0 (Plain Old ACARS) required
- Establish or Update OpSpec A056 for Part 121, 135, 91K or A003 for Part 129
  - Contact your FAA POI
  - Not required for Part 91 operators
- Optional: Submit entry into FAA subscriber database to receive dispatch copies
  - Generally coordinated through flight planning service provider
- File appropriate equipment code in field 10a of ICAO flight plan
  - J3 for FANS 1/A over VDL Mode 0
  - J4 for FANS 1/A over VDL Mode 2
- File desired DAT/ code in field 18 of ICAO flight plan
  - Recommend DAT/1FANSP2PDC for DCL flights
  - This establishes the desired hierarchy for receiving departure clearance (e.g. DCL, then PDC, then voice)
- Distribute flight crew materials
  - Updates to SOP and required training bulletins
- Begin use of the CPDLC DCL service.
  - Currently available as SLC, IAH, and HOU. Rolling out to 53 additional US sites in 2016

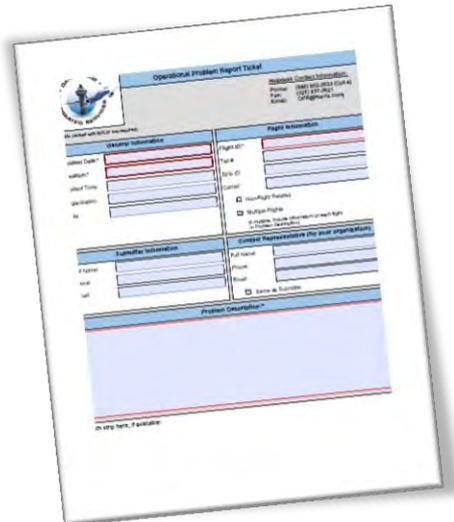
## [CPDLC Departure Clearance End to End Description](#)

This document describes the Future Air Navigation System (FANS) 1/A Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC) Departure Clearance (DCL) for the Data Comm system that is being deployed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in 2016, from an end-to-end view.

## CPDLC Demonstration Video

[Teaser Video](#)

[Full Video](#)



The image shows a screenshot of an 'Operational Problem Report Ticket' form. The form is titled 'Operational Problem Report Ticket' and includes a logo on the left. It contains several sections for data entry: 'Operational Information' with fields for 'Flight Date', 'Flight Time', and 'Flight Duration'; 'Flight Information' with fields for 'Flight ID', 'Flight Altitude', and 'Flight Status'; 'Operational Information' with fields for 'Problem Description', 'Problem Category', and 'Problem Severity'; and 'Contact Information' with fields for 'Name', 'Phone', and 'Email'. There are also checkboxes for 'Multiple Flights' and 'Enter in Spanish'. The form is presented at an angle.

## Ops Problem Reporting

Directions on how to contact the Data Comm team regarding operational problems.

[Operational Problem Report Ticket](#)

Please use this ticket to report all issues

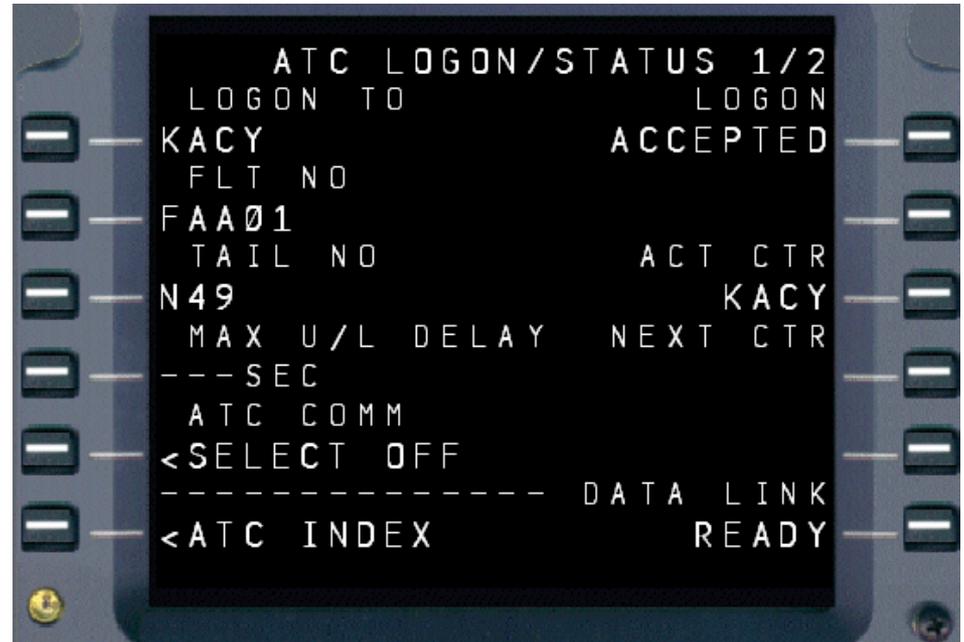
## Flight Deck

### [Flight Desk User Guide](#)

*The Flight Desk User Guide will assist in bringing the flight crew up to speed on the Data Comm process within the cockpit.*

### [Flight Deck Brief PowerPoint](#)

*PDC versus DCL overview presentation.*



## CPDLC DCL Services

REPLACES PDC on CPDLC EQUIPPED AIRCRAFT at DESIGNATED AIRPORTS

**DO**

- Use ATC key to logon to airport (e.g. KIAH). Enter complete flight ID (e.g. SWA1234) and complete tail number (e.g. N12345)
- Look for LOAD prompt on all messages
- LOAD prompt indicates a revised route
- Review entire route on RTE & LEGS pages
- Reinsert RWY/SID every time a route is loaded from CPDLC
- Respond with either "Accept/Reject"

**DON'T**

- Don't use ACARS ATS to request clearance
- Don't make multiple requests
- Don't use free text in any message

**ALWAYS CLARIFY VIA VOICE IF THERE IS CONFUSION**

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### FAA NextGen Data Communications Program



CPDLC DCL (Departure Clearance) Coming Soon to 56 US Airports  
Check ATIS for CPDLC Availability & Logon today!  
Available for FANS 1/A / CPDLC aircraft

### CPDLC DCL Services Available in 2016

	KSLC	KIAH	KHOU			
Jan	KMSY					
Feb	KAUS	KSDF	KEWR	KSAT	KIND	KJFK
Mar	KLAX	KLGA	KLAS	KTEB		
Apr	KMEM	KSAN	KHPN	KBNA	KSNA	KPHL
May	KBUR	KDEN	KBOS	KONT	KATL	KPVD
Jun	KCLT	KSFO	KBDL	KOAK	KJAX	
Jul	KDTW	KSJC	KMCO	KCLE	KSMF	
Aug	KMIA	KPIT	KPHX	KFLL	KBWI	KABQ KTPA
Sep	KIAD	KPBI	KSEA	KPDX	KDCA	
Oct	KSTL	KRDU	KDAL	KMCI	KDFW	KMDW
Nov	KMSP	KORD				

### Refer to Your Operator SOP for CPDLC Usage

For additional information visit the  
Data Communications Implementation Team (DCIT) website at:  
<http://dcis.harris.com/user-participation>



Tablet & Print versions available



Over the course of 2016 Data Comm will be launched at airport towers across the country for the first stage of implementation. This initial stage of service is referred to as Segment 1, Phase 1 (S1P1) Services.

## CPDLC DCL (S1P1) Services

The Logon Service for aircraft to request Data Comm Services and DCL Service for delivering initial and revised departure clearances to aircraft prior to take-off will be implemented in S1P1. This service will be provided to aircraft equipped with FANS avionics.

Note that in S1P1, the current Pre-Departure Clearance (PDC) capability will be augmented to incorporate DCL service. The legacy PDC service will continue to provide current capabilities after Data Comm is implemented.

Enhancements of the DCL service over PDC are:

- DCL allows the Clearance Delivery (CD) Controller to dialog via A/G data communications directly with the pilot.
- DCL permits the CD Controller to issue revised DCLs as required
- DCL service includes the ability to request and receive information specifically for DCL flight gate information from the AOC. This capability will be used to assist with surface traffic management.

# S1P1 Tower Service Implementation Waterfall



Key Sites				Group A				Group B				Group C		
Site Name	Site ID	ARTCC ID	IOC	Site Name	Site ID	ARTCC ID	IOC	Site Name	Site ID	ARTC C ID	IOC	Site Name	Site ID	ARTC C ID
KS 1: Salt Lake City	SLC	ZLC	08/07/15	New Orleans	MSY	ZHU	01/21/16	Louisville	SDF	ZID	02/10/16	Newark	EWR	ZNY
KS 2: Houston Intl	IAH	ZHU	09/03/15	Austin	AUS	ZHU	02/04/16	Indianapolis	IND	ZID	03/14/16	J F Kennedy	JFK	ZNY
KS 3: Houston Hobby	HOU	ZHU	09/10/15	San Antonio	SAT	ZHU	02/22/16	Memphis	MEM	ZME	04/04/16	La Guardia	LGA	ZNY
				Los Angeles	LAX	ZLA	03/14/16	Nashville	BNA	ZME	04/18/16	Teterboro	TEB	ZNY
				Las Vegas	LAS	ZLA	03/28/16	Denver	DEN	ZDV	05/09/16	Westchester	HPN	ZNY
				San Diego	SAN	ZLA	04/11/16	Atlanta	ATL	ZTL	05/23/16	Philadelphia	PHL	ZNY
				John Wayne	SNA	ZLA	04/25/16	Charlotte	CLT	ZTL	06/07/16	Boston	BOS	ZBW
				Burbank	BUR	ZLA	05/09/16	Jacksonville	JAX	ZJX	06/28/16	Providence	PVD	ZBW
				Ontario	ONT	ZLA	05/23/16	Orlando	MCO	ZJX	07/13/16	Bradley	BDL	ZBW
				San Francisco	SFO	ZOA	06/14/16	Miami	MIA	ZMA	08/03/16	Detroit	DTW	ZOB
				Oakland	OAK	ZOA	06/28/16	Ft Lauderdale	FLL	ZMA	08/17/16	Cleveland	CLE	ZOB
				San Jose	SJC	ZOA	07/13/16	Tampa	TPA	ZMA	08/31/16	Pittsburgh	PIT	ZOB
				Sacramento	SMF	ZOA	07/27/16	Palm Beach	PBI	ZMA	09/15/16	Balt/Wash	BWI	ZDC
				Phoenix	PHX	ZAB	08/17/16	St Louis	STL	ZKC	10/06/16	Dulles	IAD	ZDC
				Albuquerque	ABQ	ZAB	08/31/16	Kansas City	MCI	ZKC	10/20/16	Reagan	DCA	ZDC
				Seattle	SEA	ZSE	09/22/16	Minn-St Paul	MSP	ZMP	11/10/16	Raleigh/Durham	RDU	ZDC
				Portland	PDX	ZSE	09/22/16					Chicago Midway	MDW	ZAU
				Dallas Love	DAL	ZFW	10/13/16					Chicago O'Hare	ORD	ZAU
				Dallas FTW	DFW	ZFW	10/27/16							

TDLS Sites Color Key	
CPDLC DCL Site	
Site Operational	

- Waterfall reflects **challenge** schedule dates (calendar year)
  - Baseline schedule Tower deployment dates are 2016-2019
- Waterfall validated by stakeholder community through the NIWG and aligned with operator plans for avionics equipage
- Tower Phase provides infrastructure for En Route Phase – Initial Services deployment 2018-2021

# TEB & HPN Test & Deployment Schedule



<b>KTEB</b>		<b>ZNY</b>
<b>DFV Dry Run</b>	14-Mar	<b>WJHTC</b>
	15-Mar	<b>UPS / WJHTC</b>
	16-Mar	<b>WJHTC</b>
<b>File &amp; Fly</b>	17-Mar	25-Mar

<b>KHPN</b>		<b>ZNY</b>
<b>DFV Dry Run</b>	28-Mar	<b>WJHTC</b>
	29-Mar	<b>UPS / WJHTC</b>
	30-Mar	<b>WJHTC</b>
<b>File &amp; Fly</b>	31-Mar	8-Apr

For further information and documents on Data Comm please visit  
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