

Aviation Group Client Update

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TSA REDUCES FEES FOR STAs, HMEs AND TWICS

<u>Today</u>, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) published a Final Rule removing specific fee amounts from regulations regarding security threat assessments (STA), credentialing for Hazardous Materials Endorsements (HME), and Transportation Worker Identification Credentials (TWIC). These provisions include State collection of the HME fee, TSA collection of the HME fee, and collection of the TWIC fee. Removing specific fee references will enable TSA to have the necessary flexibility to lower or increase fees as necessary to meet the statutory obligation to recover its costs. The fees established by the Final Rule will remain unchanged until any future revisions to fee schedules are published in the *Federal Register*.

The fees have been changed as follows:

- HME STA Application Fee: \$86.50
- TWIC Enrollment Fee: \$129.75

The final rule setting the reduced fees is effective **May 28, 2013**. If you have questions regarding implementation of the Final Rule, please contact our office.

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