

<b>NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</b>		POLICY# EA 1
<b>Title:</b> Executive Aircraft Priorities and Rates		
<b>Effective Date:</b> May 11, 1998 <b>Revised:</b> October 20, 2009	<b>Administering Authority:</b> Assistant Secretary - Administration	
<b>Statutory Authority (if applicable):</b>		

**Purpose:** To outline the priorities for use of the Department of Commerce Executive Aircraft and to establish charges for usage of the aircraft by agencies other than the Department. The priorities are established in North Carolina General Assembly Session Law 2009-451, Section 14.7

**Scope:** All Agencies and Individuals using Executive Aircraft services.

**Policy:** Inasmuch as the Executive Aircraft operation is located in the Department of Commerce to be used primarily for economic development purposes the following priorities have been developed for use of the Executive Aircraft:

- The use of Executive Aircraft by the Department of Commerce for economic development purposes shall take precedence over all other uses.
- If an Executive Aircraft is not being used by the Department of Commerce for economic development purposes, the aircraft may be used by the Governor or a State official who is employed by an agency that does not have its own aircraft and is traveling on State business.
- If an Executive Aircraft is used to attend athletic events or for any other purpose related to collegiate athletics, the rate charged shall be equal to the direct cost of operating the aircraft as established by the aircraft manufacturer, adjusted for inflation.

The rates to be charged for all users other than the Department of Commerce shall be:

Citation Bravo C-550	Airplane	\$770.00 per hour
Sikorsky S-76	Helicopter	\$770.00 per hour

\$325 per night will be charged for all flights requiring an overnight stay by the flight crew.