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**AIRPORT CONTRACTING REFORMED**

The City of New Orleans Inspector General today released an audit report on contracting at the New Orleans Aviation Board (NOAB) from May 2001 to June 2012.

The audit found that NOAB allowed contracts to operate on a month-to-month basis for periods of two to eight years. It also found NOAB had approved invoices that lacked proper documentation or used labor rates that differed from the contract. However, the current NOAB administration discovered, renegotiated or cancelled over 100 procurement arrangements that were not in the best interests of the public and reported savings of \$25 million.

Inspector General Ed Quatrevaux said, "These savings are the reward that oversight can bring, and they mean that Louis Armstrong International Airport is much more competitive in attracting additional airlines, new flights, and better service."

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