Carrier: ExpressJet Airlines

Flight Number: 3912

Date & Time of Incident: 06/24/2016

Type of Incident: Death

Description of Animal: Breed: Chihuahua

Animal Name:

Description of Incident:

The 13 week old Chihuahua was loaded into the cargo hold for the planned on-time departure. Shortly before the scheduled departure time the flight incurred a mechanical delay. The dog remained in the cargo hold during the delay and was discovered deceased upon removal from the cargo hold at the origin station by the ramp service provider.

Cause of Incident:

Shipper declined necropsy. Cause of death is unconfirmed.

Corrective Action Taken:

Reviewing Standard Operating Procedures for animal handling during ground delay of aircraft.