

# SeaTac Airport

## Aviation Grade Stainless

**Industry:**  
Aviation

**Category:**  
Drainage

**Location:**  
Seattle, WA

**Installation:**  
**BLÜCHER**  
stainless steel pipe

*“Initially, there was some resistance to the idea of installing the BLÜCHER pipe because of the replacement cost, but the fact is that we see the payback in three to five years.” – Ken Warren, Port of Seattle.*



- CUSTOMER:** Seattle-Tacoma Airport – Seattle, WA
- SCOPE:** Replace the corroded and ever-clogging PVC pipe that comprises the fish market’s waste drainage system – used to haul out all of the excess deep fryer sludge.
- CHALLENGE:** The existing cast iron pipe that serviced airport-terminal restaurants was corroding away and constantly needed to be replaced every four to five years.
- SOLUTION:** Installing BLÜCHER stainless steel pipe eliminated the issue.
- RESULTS:** The airport drainage system no longer corrodes or clogs. The system no longer needs to be replaced periodically.

There are nearly 50 restaurants in the SeaTac airport. The sheer quantity of soda, syrup, juice, dairy products and other corrosive cooking-related liquids that leave through the airport’s waste piping takes its toll on pipe.

The cast-iron pipe the airport had been using lasted four or five years before it needed to be replaced because of corrosion. In 2004, Hollabaugh Brothers & Associates, a manufacturer’s rep firm, introduced airport maintenance authorities to BLÜCHER’s stainless steel product. After being replaced one restaurant at a time over the course of several years, BLÜCHER stainless pipe is solving the airport’s plumbing woes.