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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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To: Airport Manager, Joe Foss Field Airport (FSD), SD, FAA (AAS-1)

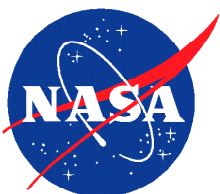
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From: Becky L. Hooey, Director
NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: FSD ATC Operating Hours

We recently received ASRS reports describing a safety concern that may involve your area of operational responsibility. We do not have sufficient details to assess either the factual accuracy or possible gravity of the report. It is our policy to relay the reported information to the appropriate authority for evaluation and any necessary follow-up. We feel you should be aware of the enclosed deidentified report.

To properly assess the usefulness of our alert message service, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to give us your feedback on the value of the information that we have provided. Please contact Dr. Becky Hooey at (408) 541-2854 or email at becky.l.hooey@nasa.gov.



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ACN 2031004

DATE / TIME

Date of Occurrence	202308
Local Time Of Day	0001 to 0600

PLACE

Locale	FSD.Tower
State	SD

AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X

ATC / Advisory - Tower	FSD
Make Model Name	Commercial Fixed Wing
Operating Under FAR Part	121

PERSON 1

Function - Flight Crew	Captain
Function - Flight Crew	Pilot Flying
ASRS Report Number	2031004

EVENTS

Anomaly	Deviation / Discrepancy - Procedural - FAR
Anomaly	Deviation / Discrepancy - Procedural - Published Material / Policy
Detector - Person	Flight Crew
Result - Flight Crew	Requested ATC Assistance / Clarification
Result - Air Traffic Control	Issued Advisory / Alert

NARRATIVE 1

While approaching the downwind into FSD, we were notified by the Control Tower that they would be closing prior to touchdown at 0500z. Jepp FDPPro says that Tower/Ground operations end at 0600z. If the correct time was published, I could have requested an alternate airport either before departing ZZZ or during cruise to our destination. Since the incorrect time was published and I wasn't made aware until approaching the downwind, I did not have the required alternate airport. NOTAMS not published w/regard to the correct local ATC operating times. Publish NOTAMS.

SYNOPSIS

Air carrier pilot reported the ATC hours of operation at FSD airport are published incorrectly and operations end an hour before the published times.