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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

2023-190/5-64

To: Airport Manager, Newark Liberty Int'l Airport (EWR), NJ, FAA (AAS-1)

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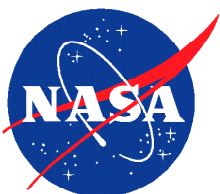
Info: FAA (AVP-1, AVP-200, AAS-300, AEA-600, AJV-A, ATM EWR ATCT, AFS-260, AJI-144, AFS-200, Director of Air Traffic Operations ESA North, Runway Safety Team), AAAE, A4A, ALPA, AOPA, APA, ASAP, ATSAP, ATSG, CAPA, IATA, ICAO, ICASS, IFALPA, IPA, NATCA, NBAA, NTSB, RAA, SWAPA

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

Re: EWR Airport Taxiway Markings and Lighting

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 2036527

DATE / TIME

Date of Occurrence	202309
Local Time Of Day	1801 to 2400

PLACE

Locale	EWR.Airport
State	NJ
Altitude - AGL	0

ENVIRONMENT

Weather	Rain
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AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X

Make Model Name	Widebody Transport
Operating Under FAR Part	121

PERSON 1

Function - Flight Crew	Captain
Function - Flight Crew	Pilot Flying
ASRS Report Number	2036527

EVENTS

Anomaly	Ground Event / Encounter - Ground Equipment Issue
Anomaly	No Specific Anomaly Occurred - Unwanted Situation
Detector - Person	Flight Crew
Result - General	None Reported / Taken

NARRATIVE 1

EWR taxi lighting inadequate. EWR taxi lighting is entirely inadequate, particularly in the rain. EWR has mostly blue reflectors instead of blue taxi lights. Most taxiways have green centerline lights. Unfortunately, the area by spot 8 has neither. Due to the rain, the yellow centerline was also difficult to see. This could result in inadvertently leaving the taxiway.

SYNOPSIS

Widebody Transport Captain reported a concern with adequacy of taxiway lighting at EWR. Captain also expressed concern over visibility of the center line lighting and markings when raining which could lead to an excursion.