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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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2090048

To: Airport Managers, Bob Sikes Airport CEW), FL, Pensacola Int'l Airport (PNS), FL,

FAA (AAS-1)

Info: FAA (AAS-300, AVP-1, AVP-200, AJI-144, ASO-600, AFS-260, AFS-200, Director of Air

Traffic Operations ESA South), A4A, AAAE, ALPA, AOPA, APA, ASAP, CAPA, ATSAP,

ATSG, ICAO, ICASS, IPA, NATCA, NBAA, NTSB, RAA

From: Becky L. Hooey, Director

NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: PNS UNICOM Interferes With CEW CTAF

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.





ACN 2090048	
DATE / TIME	
Date of Occurrence	202402
Local Time Of Day	No Local Time Of Day Stated
PLACE	
Locale	ZJX.ARTCC
State	FL
Altitude - MSL	1200
ENVIRONMENT	
Flight Conditions	VMC
AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X	
ATC / Advisory - CTAF	CEW
Make Model Name	Any Unknown or Unlisted Aircraft Manufacturer
Operating Under FAR Part	91
PERSON 1	
Function - Flight Crew	Instructor
Function - Flight Crew	Pilot Not Flying
ASRS Report Number	2090048
EVENTS	
Anomaly	Ground Event / Encounter - Ground Equipment Issue
Detector - Person	Flight Crew
NARRATIVE 1	

CTAF at Crestview, FL (CEW) is the same as the UNICOM frequency at Pensacola, FL (PNS) which is 39 miles away. A company is now using to coordinate [the frequency] air-to-ground handling. There have been multiple instances recently where aircraft descending into Pensacola from the north and east step on the CTAF traffic at CEW. A more recent example, aircraft with passengers coordinating rental cars, fuel, and catering before their arrival at Pensacola completely blocked anyone from making traffic advisories in the CEW pattern where there were 3 aircraft established and 1 aircraft trying to enter from the west.

SYNOPSIS

General aviation Flight Instructor reported the CEW airport CTAF frequency is the same as PNS UNICOM frequency, which causes frequency congestion and blocked transmissions to aircraft reporting pattern positions at CEW.