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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

2025-83/5-26

To: Airport Manager, Columbia Metro (CAE), SC, FAA (AAS-1)

2220348

Info: FAA (AFS-200, AVP-1, AVP-200, AAS-300, AJV-A, ASO-600, AFS-260, Director of Air Traffic Operations ESA South, Runway Safety Team), ATSG, AFA, ALPA, IFALPA, APA,

APFA, ASAP, A4A, IATA, CAPA, ICAO, ICASS, IPA, NTSB, RAA, SWAPA, Jeppesen

Sanderson Inc.

From: Becky L. Hooey, Director

NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: CAE Airport Taxiway and Runway Markings

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 2220348	
DATE / TIME	
Date of Occurrence Local Time Of Day	202503 1201 to 1800
PLACE	
Locale State Altitude - AGL	CAE.Airport SC 0
AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X	
ATC / Advisory - Ground Make Model Name	CAE Light Transport, Low Wing, 2 Turbojet Eng
PERSON 1	
Function - Flight Crew ASRS Report Number	First Officer 2220348
EVENTS	
Anomaly	Deviation / Discrepancy - Procedural - Published Material / Policy
Anomaly Detector - Person	Ground Event / Encounter - Other / Unknown Flight Crew
NARRATIVE 1	

Runway 29/11 is under construction at CAE and portions are being utilized as a taxiway – markings are non-standard, runway centerlines have been sealed over, no taxiway centerlines.

Landed Runway 23/night time/dusk. Part of the taxi instructions to the FBO included a left turn on Runway 29/11 and exit at Taxiway A5. 29/11 is closed for construction, with segments available for taxi. CAE has installed vertical stakes with blue reflective material to mimic taxiway lighting. Due to a poorly installed series of blue taxi stakes, and the inoperative blue taxiway lights (offering reflectivity from landing/taxi lights) it becomes very confusing determining which series of stakes enter so as to accurately exit onto Taxiway A5. Further, CAE has sealed or painted over any previously existing runway and/or taxiway centerlines leading off the runway and onto A5. This makes for an extremely difficult taxi at night attempting to discern the appropriate exist point off the runway and onto A5.

SYNOPSIS

Light transport First Officer reported being confused by the nonstandard taxiway markings at CAE, and runway centerlines have been either sealed or painted over due to construction.