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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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To: Airport Manager, Salt Lake City International, (SLC), UT, FAA (AAS-1) 2349880

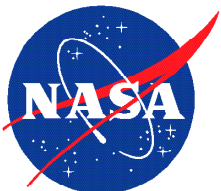
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From: Becky L. Hooey, Director
NASA Aviation Safety Reporting System

Re: SLC AVDGS Park Distance System Font Size

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 2349880**DATE / TIME**

Date of Occurrence	202604
Local Time Of Day	0001 to 0600

PLACE

Locale	SLC.Airport
State	UT
Altitude - AGL	0

ENVIRONMENT

Flight Conditions	VMC
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AIRCRAFT / EQUIPMENT X

Make Model Name	Large Transport, Low Wing, 2 Turbojet Eng
Operating Under FAR Part	121

PERSON 1

Function - Flight Crew	Captain
Function - Flight Crew	Pilot Flying
ASRS Report Number	2349880

EVENTS

Anomaly	Ground Event / Encounter - Ground Equipment Issue
Detector - Person	Flight Crew
Result - General	None Reported / Taken

NARRATIVE 1

Both the FO and I observed that in our collective opinion the gate XX AVDGS (Advanced Visual Docking Guidance System) system distance countdown in feet font size if that's the term was a bit small thus not easy to read as we got to the close in range. Referencing the same type of system in ewr terminal A the feet countdown digits are bigger and then I believe turn even bigger once close in like say 20 feet? This is very useful functionality regardless of one's vision. Case in point my FO doesn't need corrective lenses whereas I do.

I'd advise seeing if the airport owner or manager can see if such a system modification is possible as the digits really could stand to be bigger for flight crew clarity. Thanks for your time.

SYNOPSIS

Air carrier Captain reported the font size of the AVDGS (Advanced Visual Docking Guidance System) at SLC is too small to be easily read.